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Lourdes charity wound up after 40 years

Members of the Skelmersdale Lourdes Association and children from the Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust

THE Skelmersdale Lourdes Association has been wound up after almost 40 years of fundraising.

The aim of the group was to collect funds to send people to the Roman Catholic pilgrimage site in the South of France.

A spokesman for the group commented: "After nearly 40 years of fundraising with jumble sales, book stalls, car boot sales, sponsored walks, ladies nights and bingo sessions enabling us to send people to Lourdes it was getting increasingly difficult to raise funds, as all charities will be aware of."

The Skelmersdale Lourdes Association was started 40 years ago when a group of women from the town went to Lourdes.

They were so impressed at the way handicapped people were looked after and the benefit they gained from being there that they decided to set up the Skelmersdale Lourdes Association.

From the outset they found lots of support for the charitable events they put on and were soon funding visits to Lourdes for handicapped people.

Sadly, this year it was decided to end the charity as the group were finding it difficult to raise

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FLOOD MISERY FOR RESIDENTS

The flooding on School Lane

HOMES and businesses in Skelmersdale, Up Holland and Dalton suffered flood damage when the area was hit by torrential rainfall last Thursday afternoon (June 16).

Officials at West Lancashire Borough Council believe 70 of the authority's properties were affected with 15 suffering internal flooding and some residents seeing water three feet deep in their homes.

And the council has contacted the government to seek financial assistance for those affected.

Skelmersdale firefighters responded to more than 70 calls for assistance with flood wate at around 30 incidents in Skelmersdale, Dalton and Up Holland.

A spokesman for Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service told the Champion: "Prolonged heavy rain and flash flooding has occurred in a number of locations in Lancashire but Skelmersdale has been particularly affected with 74 calls (many of them duplicated) to around 30 incidents.

"Not all required the intervention of firefighters, but crews from Skelmersdale, Ormskirk and Tarleton were busy over a two-hour period from about 3pm pumping out flood water that had entered or was about to enter properties in Skelmersdale and Dalton including premises at

Report by **Henry James**

Birch Green, School Lane, Thornton, Willow Hey and Yewdale."

Firefighters from Ormskirk, assigned to assist, responded to an incident at around 6.45pm in which floodwater had reached a metre in depth in the cellar of a pub on Berry Street, Skelmersdale.

With surface water drains in the road outside already full to capacity, firefighters liaised with United Utilities and the floodwater was pumped into a sewage drain.

Skelmersdale firefighters also pumped floodwater out of the ground floor of a property on College Road, Up Holland at just after 10.30pm that evening. They helped the occupants to salvage possessions and no-one was injured.

Following the downpours water, from a local brook also breached the threshold of a house in Nipe Lane, Skelmersdale. Although the occupier had their own pump in use for four hours firefighters had to attend at 11.55pm to assist in pumping out the water.

Skelmersdale North Councillor Neil Furey commented: "Skelmersdale was hit badly by heavy rain and thunderstorms with some homes, roads, footpaths and subways flooded.

"Driving conditions were also very poor with some roads blocked due to the flooding and buses having to be re-routed. I've lived in Skelmersdale for 23 years and never seen rain like it."

One resident badly affected by the floods was Stuart Forkin of Ivydale.

His gran, Tricia Evason, told the Champion: "Every time there is heavy rain he has a problem with flooding at his home. Last Thursday the water came through and ruined the house. It will cost a fortune for him to get it sorted out."

A spokesman for the borough council commented: "Council services reacted quickly to flooding in West Lancashire due to heavy rainfall on Thursday, June 16.

"Council surveyors have visited all the affected council homes we have been made aware of to assess any damage and we will call back to homes where we have been unable to gain access.

"The council currently believes about 70 of its properties were affected. However, only 15 have so far been confirmed to have suffered internal flooding.

"The tenants worst affected had three feet of water in their homes. No tenants have requested to be rehoused. We are providing tenants with dehumidifiers when they request them to help them get their homes back to normal, in addition to carrying out any necessary remedial works.

"Council tenants who were flooded and have not reported this to us should contact the council on 01695 577177 or email customer.services@westlancs.gov.uk. But please be patient as we are experiencing

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Friends' fundraiser for Grade 1 listed church

THE Friends of St Michael's Church in Aughton are holding a coffee morning on Wednesday, July 6 to raise funds for the upkeep of the Grade 1 listed church.

Local historian Roger Mitchell will be guest speaker at the event on the subject of 'Georgian Houses in West Lancashire and the surrounding areas'.

This will be held in the church hall starting at 10am. Entry is free but donations will be welcomed.

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Voters head to polls for EU Referendum

Report by **Henry James**

STAY or go...leave or remain...yes or no, finally tomorrow (Thursday, June 23) the nation will deliver its verdict on the Euro debate.

The EU Referendum will decide whether we stay part of the European Union or leave.

The arguments have been raging for weeks and at polling stations across the borough residents of West Lancashire will get the chance to cast their vote.

On the ballot slip people will be asked the following question:

Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union or leave the European Union?

The vote has been billed the most important decision in a generation and there are three ways people can vote - at the polling station; by post; or by proxy.

Those voting at the polling station will have received a polling card telling them where their polling station is. They don't need to take the polling card to the polling station. Polling stations will be open from 7am to 10pm.

The vote in West Lancashire will be overseen by Kim Webber, electoral registration officer for the borough council, who is also the council's chief executive.

The deadline for registering to vote online had to be extended by 48 hours after the website crashed because of the huge demand of people trying to use it in the hours before the previous deadline on Tuesday, June 7.

The Prime Minister David Cameron and 16 members of his cabinet want Britain to remain in the EU. The leaders of the Labour party, the Lib Dems, the SNP and Plaid Cymru are also in favour of staying.

However, five cabinet ministers, half of Conservative MPs, several Labour MPs and the Democratic Unionist Party want Britain to leave the EU. The campaign for Britain to leave the EU (Brexit) is being led by former Mayor of London, Boris Johnson MP and Michael Gove, the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice.

West Lancashire's Labour MP Rosie Cooper told the Champion earlier this year she had not decided which way she was voting in the referendum although she describes herself as 'pro-European'.

But the final decision will be down to the British public with opinion polls showing the groups neck and neck.

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E Rooms to host charity fundraiser in memory of student's grandmother

Holly hopes event will help raise awareness of dementia

Report by **Henry James**

A STUDENT is teaming up with the E Rooms in Skelmersdale to stage a fundraising event for Dementia Friends and the Alzheimer's Society in memory of her late grandmother.

The Westgate venue is hosting the event on Saturday, July 2 free of charge to enable 21-year-old Holly White from Ormskirk to raise awareness of dementia.

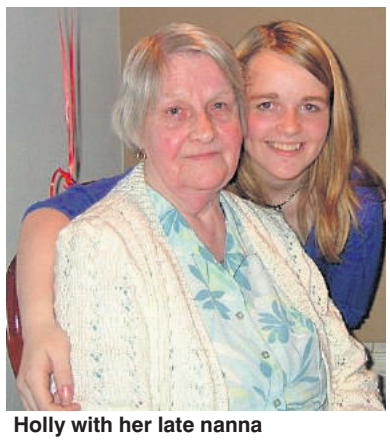
Starting at 7.30pm the evening will feature live music performed for free by local bands and a raffle for prizes donated by local businesses.

Holly said: "I decided to arrange the event in memory of my nanna, Annie White, who suffered with dementia and sadly passed away last October following a fall.

"Having helped her during her illness, I now fully understand how cruel dementia is and the impact it has, not only on the sufferers, but also on their families.

"It's heartbreaking and also very confusing to see one of your loved ones going through it.

"I am now a Dementia Friend and have learned a lot about the disease and how to support families and people with it. I just wish we had known about Dementia Friends when we were trying to help my nan.



Holly with her late nanna

"I wanted to organise this event to raise awareness of the disease locally and raise much-needed funds for the charity to train more people to be Dementia Friends. And now seemed a good time following the recent Dementia Awareness week and the Cupcake Day on June 16."

Tickets for the event are just £3 and can be ordered from the E Rooms on 01695 731016 or message E Rooms on Facebook.

Holly, who is in her final year at Cumbria University and is due to start work as a primary school teacher in September, added: "The E Rooms in Skelmersdale have kindly given us the use of their stage, sound system and venue for the evening and six local bands have agreed to perform free of charge.

"There will be a fully licensed bar and local businesses have kindly donated some great prizes to be raffled on the night."

Sue Swire, community fundraiser for Cumbria & Lancashire for the Alzheimer's Society, commented: "Thanks to support from people like Holly, we are able to carry on providing advice, information and care to the increasing number of families affected by dementia.

"I fully support Holly in her fundraising efforts."

More flooding misery

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high call volumes at this time, but we will do our best to help you.

"Anyone who has been flooded should also contact their insurance companies and take photos of any damage caused to their goods as this may help them with insurance claims.

"Council street sweepers have been out in the affected areas of Skelmersdale to clear debris off the roads and footpaths. If roads and gulleys are blocked please contact Lancashire County Council on 0300 123 6780 or email enquiries@lancashire.gov.uk.

"Private residents affected by flooding can get helpful advice by contacting the Environment Agency's Floodline 0345 988 1188. In addition you can also get useful advice from the council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/flooding.

"The council has contacted the government to make them aware of the situation and to seek financial support along the same lines that was available after Storm Eva. We are waiting for a response."

MP calls for action not words to solve recurring problem

Report by **Henry James**

Rosie Cooper

ROSIE Cooper is calling on government and agencies to offer solutions not more words to the flooding problems faced by the borough's residents following the flash flooding that hit Skelmersdale devastating 60 homes.

The MP said: "West Lancashire residents are living in fear of their homes and their cars being severely damaged from flooding, even after just an hour's heavy rain.

"In the past I have met with agencies, including United Utilities, over flooding at Dog Bone Island, homes on Birch Green and the sewer system along School Lane in Old Skelmersdale after previous flooding incidents.

"Despite residents paying their council tax, income tax and their utility bills none of the agencies or the government ever offer a solution. For residents, words offer no comfort or help.

Regular

"They all talk about the severity of rainfall. We've all heard about rainfall being 'once in a hundred years', but the reality is that people's homes are being hit every couple of years now. That makes this severe rainfall more of a regular biannual event rather than the trite throwaway line of 'once in every one hundred years'.

"West Lancashire residents need real solutions, need prevention not repair, need investment not cuts, and need to see a commitment from government and the agencies that actually work to solve the problem not just manage the clean-up.

"Residents shouldn't have to live with this devastation, the costs or live in fear of rainy days. If it was affecting the Prime Minister then action would follow very quickly.

"West Lancashire demands action is my message to him."

Councillor welcomes publication of county's hate crime strategy

SKELMERSDALE County Councillor Julie Gibson, Lancashire's cabinet lead for community safety has welcomed the publication of the Safer Lancashire Hate Crime Strategy 2015-2019.

The strategy sets out how the county council and partners from the voluntary, community and faith sectors will work together with the police to tackle the issue of hate crime and address the hate crime priorities for Lancashire.

Cllr. Gibson said: "This strategy follows on from the Tackling Hate Crime event, which I was privileged to address last October.

"It has been compiled and informed by communities across Lancashire and will be overseen by the Lancashire Strategic Hate Crime Group."

She continued: "A hate crime is any criminal offence which is perceived by the victim or any other person to be motivated by a hostility or prejudice based on or perception of a person's race, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or whether a person is or is perceived to be transgender.

"Statistics from Lancashire Constabulary continue to show that hate crime is one of the most under-reported crimes across the county.

"I would urge residents of West Lancashire that if you, or someone you know, is a victim of hate crime do report it to Lancashire Police who are committed to working with you to ensure perpetrators of hate crime are bought to account."

Safer Lancashire is the countywide community safety partnership structure in Lancashire and is supported by community safety partnerships in West Lancashire and also Blackburn, Blackpool, Burnley, Chorley, Fylde, Hyndburn, Lancaster, Pendle, Preston, Ribble Valley, Rossendale, South Ribble and Wyre.

County Councillor Julie Gibson

Town's Lourdes charity wound up after 40 years

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funds and three of the group have now passed away.

A mass was held recently at St Francis of Assisi Church for the Lourdes Association and their benefactors.

It was decided to dispose of remaining funds of £9,550.00 by presenting them to the Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust (HCPT) which was done after the Mass, for them to continue sending handicapped children to Lourdes each Easter as they do at present.

The spokesman for the Skelmersdale Lourdes Association added: "The lady representing HCPT, a teacher at one of our special schools, brought several of the children to the Mass and presentation, and judging by their happy faces they enjoyed being there too.

"It also was good for the people at the Mass to see where the funds were going.

"It has ended on a high note because the children were benefiting and the group remain friends supporting one another."

New bus stop to be installed on Birch Green Road

ROSIE Cooper has welcomed the confirmation of a new bus stop to be installed on Birch Green Road between Hallcroft and Harsnips in Skelmersdale.

The West Lancs MP had raised residents' concerns over the accessibility of bus stops in the Birch Green area with Lancashire County Council.

She has now received confirmation from the council - as the transport authority - that the new bus stop is to be installed.

She said: "The additional bus stop on Birch Green Road will be welcomed by local residents using the 313 bus route.

"If we are to encourage people to use public transport more frequently then it is important that services are accessible. Installing additional bus stops is one way of achieving this."

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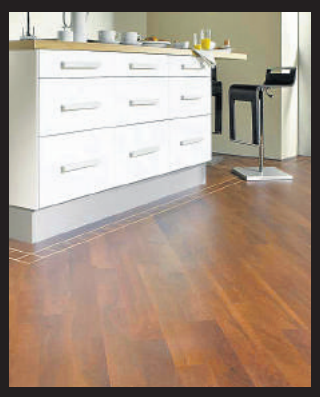

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County council to install more charging points for electric vehicles

Report by **Henry James**

LANCASHIRE County Council is aiming to introduce more charging points in the county for electric vehicles.

The council was successful in a bid for £14.8m of funding from the Department for Transport's Highway Maintenance Challenge Fund to invest in new technology, with some of the budget set aside to make it easier for drivers of electric cars to find somewhere to charge their batteries.

The scheme aims to establish at least 150 new charging points by March 2018.

Officers who are working on the project recently arranged to borrow a BMW i3 and Nissan Leaf for a few days to get a better feel for what it's like to own an electric vehicle.

County Councillor John Fillis, Lancashire's cabinet member for highways and transport, said: "The government has provided councils with the funding to establish many more charging points, and we're now doing the groundwork to add significantly to the existing network.

Confidence

"We're working with district councils and our neighbours in Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool to create a network that electric vehicle users in this area can sign up to and be sure they're never too far away from a charging point.

"Our aim is to help give people the confidence to consider buying an electric vehicle by making it easy to find a charging point reasonably nearby, wherever you are.

"By loaning these vehicles for a few days our officers have learned a lot about what we need to do to accomplish this, and I hope these futuristic-looking vehicles will become a more common sight in what will be an ever-greener Lancashire."

The county council will be putting out to tender this year to secure a contract provider for the charging machines and supporting back-office technology. It is hoped the first charging points will be installed early next year.

The funding received from the DfT for new technology is also being used to replace old street lights with new LED lights and is expected to result in energy savings of £500,000 this year.

County Councillor John Fillis with the electric vehicles at County Hall

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Borough will join nation to commemorate 100th anniversary of The Battle of The Somme

PEOPLE in West Lancashire will join the rest of the country in paying tribute to those who fought in one of the major conflicts of World War One.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme, which began on July 1 1916 and involved British and French soldiers fighting German forces on the banks of the River Somme in France.

On the first day of action more than 19,000 British soldiers were killed - still the highest ever loss of life suffered by the British Army in a single day - and more than 38,000 others were injured.

By the end of the campaign, on November 18 1916, a total of 419,654 British soldiers had been killed or injured and there were more than 1.1 million British, French and German casualties combined.

The battle, which did not produce a decisive victory, has been used to define the huge loss of men that was felt by communities throughout the country.

To commemorate this important centenary in British history West Lancashire Borough Council is organising a short service of remembrance which will take place at 11am on Friday, July 1 at Ormskirk War Memorial in Coronation Park.

The Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Liz Savage will lay a wreath to commemorate the sacrifice made by the servicemen and women who lost their lives in the battle. People living and working in West Lancashire are welcome to attend.

Councillor Savage, said: "The Battle of the Somme remains one of the most significant conflicts in British history and I am very proud to play a role in commemorating this important anniversary.

"The men who died were fathers, brothers and sons and many of them were volunteers who had never fought in a war before. They were mourned by their families and their communities and it is only right 100 years on that we should pay tribute to them and all of those who fought in that battle."

The mayor will lay a wreath to commemorate the sacrifice of those who lost their lives in the battle

As a further mark of respect the Clock Tower in Ormskirk and the Lightcube, on Exchange Island in Skelmersdale, will both be lit red by the council between dusk until dawn from July 1 to November 18.

The council has also secured a copy of the UNESCO listed public information film The Battle of the Somme from the Imperial War Museums. The film screening has been organised in partnership with local heritage group Ormskirk Bygone Times at 7pm on Thursday, July 7 at The Civic (formerly Ormskirk Civic Hall), Southport Road, Ormskirk and is free of charge. For more information please contact Dot Hawkes via www.ormskirkbygonetimes.co.uk, or Ian Bond on ian.bond@westlancs.gov.uk or 01695 585167. Please be aware that the film includes graphic images of the First World War and is rated a PG.

Rain can't dampen spirits at kite festival

Carol and Len Royles from the Northern Kite Group who hosted last Sunday's annual kite festival at Beacon Park

ORGANISERS have said this year's Beacon Country Park Kite Festival was a success - despite a soggy end to the day.

A good kite flying breeze meant some of the really large inflatable kites could be flown and members of the Northern Kite Group managed to fill the sky with colourful kites.

As last year, a highlight was a 'Mass Fly of Rainbow Deltas' aimed at giving young children a positive kite-flying experience.

Len Royles, Northern Kite Group chairman, said: "We had 20 small kites in the air with the children having a great time, some of them having their first fly of a kite.

"We were busy most of the day with this activity and I think mums and dads were enjoying themselves just as much as well.

"We had a good turn-out from the public with the car-park full and cars overflowing down the lane!

"Unfortunately we finished with pouring rain with a lot of kites needing to be dried out! But thanks to all who came and we hope that they visit us again next year. Thanks also to the Beacon Country Park Rangers for their assistance."

Above: The Holland High School will represent West Lancs in duathlon. Below The Our Lady of Peace Catholic High handball squad

Local schools book places in county games finals

PUPILS from a trio of West Lancashire schools are celebrating success after securing three of the few remaining places at the largest youth sporting event in the county, the SPAR Lancashire School Games.

Up Holland High School secured a win in a duathlon competition at Edge Hill University, while Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic School took victory in handball.

Meanwhile Woodland Community Primary School secured first place in a tri golf tournament after battling it out against eight other West Lancashire school teams at Glenburn Sports College.

The youngsters stormed to success, competing eight different golfing challenges and pipping Delph Side Community Primary School to the top spot.

The trio will now go on to represent West Lancashire at the SPAR Lancashire School Games county finals.

Now in its 10th year, the SPAR Lancashire School Games comprises two main events designed to give all children the opportunity to participate in competitive sport.

Schools across Lancashire battle it out for a place at the county finals to compete against pupils from 15 county districts to be crowned champions in sports including rounders, tennis, orienteering, netball, athletics and gymnastics.

More than 2,400 youngsters are expected to take part in the event at Stanley Park, Blackpool on July 5.

Organised by Lancashire Sport Partnership, the event is implemented by the county's school games organisers and sponsored by James Hall & Company Ltd, the SPAR distributors for the North of England. It is part of the national £128m school games programme.

MP pays tribute to murdered colleague

ROSIE Cooper has added her own tribute to the many being paid to fellow Labour MP Jo Cox who died after being shot and stabbed in her constituency in Birstall, West Yorkshire.

The 41-year-old mother-of-two was murdered last Thursday (June 16) close to where she held her advice 'surgeries' for local residents.

But in the wake of the shocking incident Ms Cooper believes MPs must continue to be available and accessible to constituents.

The West Lancs MP said: "There are no words to adequately describe the depth of sadness caused by the senseless and horrendous murder of Jo Cox - a young woman, a wife, a mother to two young children who had been chosen to serve as a Member of Parliament by the community which she grew up in.

"There has been an incredible outpouring of emotion in the wake of Jo's passing. I continue to receive emails and social media messages from West Lancashire residents wanting to express their shock, their sadness and their outrage over Jo's murder.

"Out of deep respect and remembrance for Jo's humanity and belief that we can secure a better future for people we must strengthen our democracy not allow it to be permanently damaged. We must be careful about, and sensitive to, the personal safety of MPs and staff, yet continue to be available and accessible to constituents.

"In all the tributes to Jo Cox there is a constant reference to her enormous capacity to be a real force for change, a drive and desire to make a difference in the hope of realising a better future not just for the people of Batley and Spen but for people across the UK and internationally. Sadly, her potential will now never be fully realised but it's mantle we can all take on.

"My condolences are with Jo's husband, Brendan their two young children, and her family and friends at the saddest of times in their lives brought about in the most unnecessary and most heartbreaking of circumstances."

Murder victim Jo Cox

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All aboard for Transport Trust's fifth open day

THE Merseyside Transport Trust (MTT) will be holding its fifth annual open day, featuring bus rides and a train, on Sunday, July 10.

The event, at the trust's Tollgate Road base in Burscough, will raise funds for the upkeep of its fleet of more than 50 historic vehicles. It will run from 10.30am to 4.30pm.

The charity boasts a huge collection of historic vehicles from the Merseyside area ranging from a 1946 AEC Regent II and 1949 Daimler CVA6, through to vehicles from the MPTE and Merseybus eras, some which are in private ownership and on loan to the trust.

The MTT's collection of former Liverpool Corporation buses, ranging from one of the first post-war AECs right through to the last bus delivered to the corporation in 1969, is probably the country's most representative preserved collection from a municipal bus fleet in the UK.

Event organiser, Lee Wolfe from the trust, said: "This year's event will feature bus rides around the surrounding area, serving local pubs, several scenic West Lancashire villages and supporting local businesses.

"There will be numerous vehicles on display including visiting vehicles from other preservation groups, sale stands and talks given about the group's latest projects and how people can become involved.

Two of the vehicles which will be on display at Merseyside Transport Trust's Open Day

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

"Light refreshments will be available with all proceeds going to the charity - and entry is free and there is no need to book.

"A souvenir programme and guide to the day will be available for just £3 and any donations visitors would like to make to the group would be most welcome which will go towards the continued restoration and safekeeping of our unique collection.

"The event has gone from strength to strength. We have been consistently attracting large numbers which is encouraging for a small charity and we are always looking at ways to make this event an even bigger success. Funds raised on the day will go a long way in helping to keep our collection safe for the future."

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Family team inspire drive to raise £1,600 for high school

A FATHER and daughter from Up Holland who teamed up with the landlord of a local pub to launch a fundraising drive in aid of West Lancashire High School in Skelmersdale have raised £1,620.

Phil Wallis and his daughter Leah, 16, organised a host of events, including an Our Big Gig music festival, to raise money for the school, which caters for pupils aged 11 to 19 with disabilities and learning difficulties.

All funds raised will go to help with proposals to build a multi-purpose sports facility which is expected to cost £15,000.

Phil decided to fundraise after hearing about an appeal by the school.

The Our Big Gig was held at the Stanley in Up Holland and saw 15 local acts perform.

And the total was boosted by a sponsored walk to the summit of Mount Snowdon and a bank holiday car boot sale.

The landlord and landlady of the Stanley, Carl and Janice Buck, presented a cheque to the school for the £1,620 raised earlier this month.

Phil Wallis said: "Our Big Gig was a great success with lots of people watching the brilliant live acts.

"I would like to thank, Kinky Oyster, Kieff, Lunar Falls, The Frets, Taking Back Fridays, Robbie Collins, Paul McHale, Ayesha Clark, Andy Ashworth, Alex Strickland, Jack Nunes, Neil Faulkner and Leah Wallis for the entertainment.

"Thanks also to Hedgehog Sounds for providing the PA system, the E Rooms for use of their marquee and Dave Beeston for being compere for the day.

"Also I would like to thank all the car booters for braving heavy rain on the Bank Holiday Monday, and last and by no means least, our sponsored walkers - Carl Buck, Stephen Wallis, Leah Wallis, Anthony Wallis, Les Wood, Karen Wood, Gareth Robinson, John Faulkner, Jack Wells, Chris Woods, Heather Evans, James Morgan, Peter Shepherd, Stephen Belford, Neil Speakman, Jacob O'Connor and Paul Riding - who raised an amazing amount climbing Mount Snowdon in freezing conditions."

Carl Buck from the Stanley pub in Up Holland presents the proceeds from the recent 'Big Gig' charity event to West Lancashire Community High School.

Town to host conference to raise awareness of child sexual exploitation

Report by **Henry James**

A CONFERENCE to raise awareness of child sexual exploitation is to be held in Skelmersdale in November.

The conference is being organised by Skelmersdale Action For Youth (SAY) in conjunction with the Independent Community Advice Network (ICAN) and a number of other agencies.

To be held at the Evermoor Community Centre, Digmoor, this is the second event of its kind organised by SAY for Year 10 students and above from across West Lancashire. It will be open to both male and female students.

Lancashire Police describe child sexual exploitation as involving offenders grooming youngsters and using their power to sexually abuse them.

It can take many forms, whether it occurs through a seemingly 'consensual' relationship with an older boyfriend, or a young person having sex in return for attention, gifts, alcohol or cigarettes.

Alan Lewis from SAY commented: "There are so many issues around child sexual exploitation and some of these can be seen in the use of photography and mobile phones.

Alan Lewis and some of the people who are involved with the conference

"During the conference we will be raising awareness of boys and girls being groomed.

"Child sexual exploitation is also seen in rape, and forced marriages.

"There are many more issues that face teenagers when they leave school and college and go off to university, or start in the workplace."

SAY and ICAN, voluntary groups doing face-to-face work with young people, are inviting schools and colleges to attend the conference which will be a full day event although the date is yet to be confirmed.

To reserve a place at the conference contact Alan Lewis at alan.say@hotmail.co.uk or 07939660048.

First Duke of Edinburgh students graduate from Maharishi Free School

THE Maharishi Free School, which has a secondary school base in Skelmersdale, has seen 15 students successfully achieve the bronze award for the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh Awards scheme – with more on their way.

Two years ago, the school became the only one in Lancashire to qualify as its own licensed organisation for the scheme.

Loanna Deverdie, the scheme's operations manager for Lancashire, said: "When a young person takes on the challenge of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award it shows resilience, discipline and a can-do attitude. When they successfully complete the award, it demonstrates they have learned key employability skills as well as social and interpersonal skills.

"Not only do these help prepare a young person for the world of work, they better enhance their chances of succeeding in life.

"It's a credit to the students, their parents and the staff that Maharishi School value the award so much and give so many young people the opportunity to achieve their award."

And expedition leader Richard Scott added: "Initiative, resourcefulness and teamwork are qualities that Maharishi School students develop during Duke of Edinburgh while at the same time having loads of fun."

Some of the year 11 students with their Duke of Edinburgh Scheme bronze certificates

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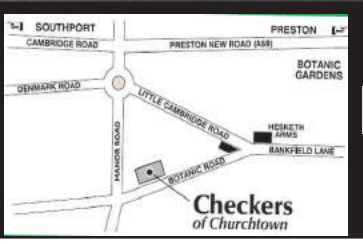

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Golfers' anger over 'intolerable damage' to course's greens

Council accused of failing to water properly to save money

Report by **Henry James**

THE captain and members of Beacon Park Golf Club in Up Holland have accused West Lancs Council of failing to water the greens on the course adequately during the dry weather prior to the recent thunderstorms.

They believe that watering of the greens had been halted for weeks causing damage to the surface.

In a letter to the Champion, Alan Lenton, wrote: "I'm writing on behalf of the captain and members of the Beacon Park Golf Club to express concern at the state of the greens at the course. They are bone dry and the grass is gradually eroding away from them.

"There was anger from members that watering of the greens has stopped for weeks and the damage to the greens is becoming intolerable.

"Members query the lack of golf course management skills and the economic folly of watching the destruction of the greens to save money."

The members also say they are embarrassed when visiting golfers condemn the state of the course.

However, a spokesman for the council responded: "Beacon Park Golf Course is managed by West Lancashire Community Leisure Limited on behalf of West Lancashire Borough Council.

"The golf course management always carefully consider whether or not to water the greens and keep a close eye on the weather forecast.

"The weather and the incidents of rain play an important part in the considerations regarding irrigation of the greens.

"Due to the weather there has been no requirement to water the greens during the last three months. This was considered early in the week commencing Monday, June 6. However, rain was forecast and it did rain on Wednesday, June 8, over the weekend of June 11 and 12 and on Monday, June 13.

"The golf course team will continue to monitor the greens and the weather and have the option to irrigate the greens if required."

A group of members on the last green at Beacon Park golf course

Men-Aces to receive FA recognition

THE Skem Men-Aces disability football club have been selected to receive a FA Charter Standard Community Award.

Mim Eaton from the club said: "The FA Charter Standard Awards are highly recognised within the sport as they recognise every aspect of football at the club.

"Without the community this club would struggle and wouldn't be able to gain the recognition it deserves, so many thanks to all our supporters in the community. I also want to say a special thanks to our sponsors and coaches, who are all volunteers and hold full-time jobs but still find time to put many hours into our club."

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THE West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership are urging victims of domestic abuse to speak up and seek help.

The appeal comes during a busy summer of events, including the Euro finals currently being staged in France, as national statistics show an increase of 25 to 30% in reports of domestic abuse during sporting tournaments, particularly football.

Domestic abuse can take many forms, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, coercive and controlling behaviour, financial abuse and emotional or psychological abuse. It can happen at any stage of a relationship and is very rarely a 'one-off'.

Lancashire Police's South Division, which covers West Lancashire, received 6,299 domestic abuse referrals between April 2015 and March 2016. Of these, 2,400 were then designated as domestic abuse crimes.

Between April 2015 and March 2016 the Liberty Centre (formerly Domestic Violence Support Services West Lancs), received 783 high and medium risk referrals for support from the centre's independent domestic violence advisors.

Councillor Kevin Wright, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for health and community safety, said: "Domestic abuse is more common than most people realise and, on average, a woman is assaulted 35 times before her first call for help. Men can also be victims of domestic abuse and it's often even more difficult for them to come forward.

"If you are reading this and think you are a victim of domestic abuse please talk to someone you trust. Or you can call the police, the Liberty Centre or the National Domestic Violence Helpline."

David Tilleray, West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership chairman, added: "Domestic abuse is a crime. We want victims to know that they are not alone and if they approach those services that can help them their complaints will be handled with care by people sympathetic to what they are going through."

Victims of domestic abuse are being urged to speak up and seek help

And West Lancashire Police Inspector June Chessell commented: "Victims of domestic abuse and their children have the right to live safely in their own home. We always take positive action when we are called to domestic abuse incidents and do all we can to arrest offenders and put them before the courts."

The Liberty Centre helps victims in a number of ways, including a free confidential 24-hour helpline number 0808 100 3062; practical and emotional support; confidential counselling; legal advice and the Women's Refuge for short-term accommodation.

Eleanor Maddocks, chief executive of the Liberty Centre, said: "We want all victims to come forward. If they need support we will give it to them. Victims can phone us and get some advice."

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Martin Mere news

Work begins on WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre's latest attraction

Work has begun on a major new attraction: Wooded Wetlands at WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre.

The new attraction is a complete redevelopment of the North American area of the waterfall gardens and will ultimately include a tepee encampment demonstrating how indigenous people lived sustainably in wetlands as a focal point for events and activities for children and adults. The attraction has been partly funded thanks to the generous support of players of People's Postcode Lottery.

Grounds Manager, Steve Nasir, said: The first stage of the project has been the renovation of the waterfall pen and this is now almost complete. The pen is now home to a number of buffleheads, a diving sea duck. Part of the development has been to install a water filtration system so that the water is clear and you can see the diving ducks as they play and swim underwater 'this is the first time we have been able to show this behaviour at Martin Mere and it should be a very popular attraction. There will also be a forest boardwalk, central lake and tepee encampment.'

The swamps and forests in North America form a continuous ring of wetland wilderness around the entire globe. They form the world's largest biome and are the destination of choice for many breeding waterbirds. It's experienced the biggest temperature change in the world over the last two decades and faces many threats. Many of the traditional ways of life are also under threat and visitors to Martin Mere's wooded wetlands will learn about how local communities lived in tune with nature.

The 4 exhibits will showcase the iconic species which rely on this biome such as seaduck and those duck species that actually nest within the forest canopy.

The development is due to be complete later in 2016.

WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre is open every day (except Christmas Day) from 9.30am to 6pm during summer months and parking is free of charge. Situated off the A59, it is signposted from the M61, M58 and M6. The Centre is also accessible via the Southport to Manchester and the Liverpool to Preston line by train from Burscough Rail Stations. Visit the web site http://www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere/ to find out what's on all year round at Martin Mere and the other eight WWT Wetland Centres.

Visit the web site www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere to find out what's on the reserve at the moment as well as all the upcoming events

Champion LETTERS to the Editor

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Brexit won't 'take back control' for Joe Public in West Lancashire

'TAKE back control' - it's a powerful slogan and it has convinced most of my friends to vote for Brexit. By the time you read this, we may be heading out of Europe.

But who actually will 'take back control'? Not Joe Public in West Lancashire.

Instead our career politicians in Westminster will be raking back the powers they resented sharing with the democratically-elected MEPs in Brussels.

This means ministers, who rarely have any practical experience in the areas they are appointed to run, will have even greater freedom to impose their whims and prejudices on us in the form of half-baked policies to constantly 'reform' education, the health service, prisons, defence, employment rights or whatever.

Ordinary Britishers won't see any more control over their own lives. If you don't believe me, try writing to a government minister.

I wanted to complain about the DVLA disclosing private information about me to a third party who had no valid reason to see it, contravening data protection rules. I wrote to the minister responsible. No reply.

I wrote again, this time also sending a copy to our local MP, Rosie Cooper. A letter came back via Rosie; it missed the point, but at least it was an answer.

The minister claimed not to have received my two letters. I later discovered that was because it is policy for ministers NOT to read letters from the general public. So much for British democracy!

There's really nothing for us in Brexit. We can't even expect a big cash windfall, because 98.5% of UK government spending went nowhere near the EU.

All the time it's just been about some of the Westminster elite wanting to get more of their own way and who were prepared to tell us outrageous porkies about the EU to do this.

And some non-dom press barons, of course, who like to have Downing Street under their thumbs - something they can't do with Brussels.

Adrian Tayler, Skelmersdale

Verges and roundabouts should be managed for wildlife not turned into boring manicured lawns

IN response to three letters about the 'dreadful' or 'disgraceful' state of the vegetation on West Lancs verges and roundabouts, I have to offer a different viewpoint on the subject.

It is undisputed that roadside verges must be cut to ensure visibility for traffic safety and to prevent the growth of trees.

However, the perception and suggestion that verges should be like boring manicured lawns is subjective and not shared by others who prefer to see wild grasses and a range of wild flowers, some of which are uncommon, like orchids, others more common but vital sources of nectar and pollen for bees.

The timing and frequency of the cut is therefore a more refined topic of debate and may depend on the species present.

The well-documented loss of wildlife from our countryside continues unabated and this is reflected in sharp declines in the population of insects including the various bee species, which in turn is linked to falls of at least 50% in populations of insect-eating birds such as house martins.

The poisonous industrialisation of farming has driven many species to the margins which include our town gardens, especially those which provide a habitat and feeding range for insects and birds.

So the roadway verges and roundabouts are also now important in this respect and should be managed for wildlife.

John Watt, Ormskirk

Sorry, wrong council but my concerns and complaint still stand

WITH regard to my recent letter concerning overgrown vegetation in Aughton published in last week's Champion (June 15).

I now understand that it is the responsibility of Lancashire County Council to maintain the verges, pavements and roundabouts in the Aughton area and my apologies are therefore directed to West Lancs Council for inferring that they held the responsibility.

That said, I am still incensed that this work has not been undertaken for some time and the dangers as previously mentioned are so apparent, especially on the main A59, that it is only a question of time before someone is hurt or killed.

John Brown, Aughton

PICTURE of the week

With a little guidance from a Northern Kite Group expert, Alysha manages a successful first flight of a Delta Rainbow kite at last Sunday's flying festival held at Beacon Park, Up Holland. Picture by Martyn Snape.

An accident waiting to happen

I COMPLETELY agree with your readers about the overgrown grass in Aughton - an accident waiting to happen, I would say, because of the restricted visibility.

Is it to save money that they have cut down the amount of times they cut the grass?

I would suggest people write to our MP Rosie Cooper, as I have, and get her to write to the main man at Lancashire County Council we may then get some action.

David A. Forfar, by email

Village is in need of a clean-up

I AGREE with Mr Brown and others (Letters, June 15) about the state of the grass verges and roundabouts, what with the pot holes and poor road surfaces Aughton is becoming a very dirty place.

What's the problem with the local authorities, do they go around with their eyes closed?

The best-kept village competition is coming up shortly, we have no hope.

G. W., Aughton

Drop us a line...

IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

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Time to get things moving on town centre improvements

ONCE again, we are being told that the plans to make the Concourse look nice are in place but again there seems to be a reason not to go ahead with the work.

Don't the council know how the people and shopkeepers feel about all these broken promises?

Also, how many empty shops and stalls are there?

Someone should pull their finger out and get things moving.

If these people can't or won't get the work started, get someone who can.

It's all well and good putting nice pictures everywhere, get things done and sort the arguments out later.

I've never known anything to take so long.

David Carter, Skelmersdale

We are enjoying the longer grass on our route

IN response to the three letters about verges in Aughton last week, I would just like to say that me and my family have been enjoying the long grass.

As frequent pedestrians walking next to the A59, the long grass has given us joy to see the bees and butterflies enjoying the small space we have provided them in our urban world.

I have been really pleased that the council have adopted the policy of leaving this grass to grow long to allow diversity, not to mention cutting noise down slightly for pedestrians and reducing spray from cars in wet weather.

Florence Coggon, by email

There's still time to enter borough Open Exhibition

THERE'S still time to enter this year's West Lancashire Open Exhibition at the Chapel Gallery in Ormskirk - but hurry, the deadline is fast approaching.

And remember, you don't have to be an artist to exhibit at this prestigious exhibition. If you enjoy painting, drawing or taking photographs and friends and family comment on your talent, now's the time to take part.

This exhibition celebrates the creative talents of ambitious amateurs, as well as accomplished students and professional artists from throughout the region. Whatever kind of art individuals create - photographs, paintings, textiles, or anything in between - this is an opportunity to exhibit or even sell pieces.

Entrants can each submit two original pieces of artwork that will be presented to the selected panel. The submission days for handing in work are Friday and Saturday, July 1 and 2.

All media entered will be considered, from paintings, printmaking, three-dimensional work and photography, to sculpture and textiles.

And all entries selected by the panel of judges will be exhibited at the Chapel Gallery from Saturday, July 16 to Wednesday, September 7.

Each year this exhibition gives people who have never shown their artwork in public get their first experience of showing their work in a professional gallery.

There is also a first prize on offer of £800, second prize is £400 and third prize is £200 for third.

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In addition, visitors to the gallery can choose the winner of the People's Prize, given to the most popular work on display. The winner of this receives the opportunity to exhibit at the gallery, as well as a £150 exhibition fee.

There is also a £150 Student Prize.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, West lancs Council's portfolio holder for leisure, said: "The exhibition is one of the highlights at the Chapel Gallery and is growing in popularity every year. It's also a showcase for budding artists who want to reach a wider audience. So if you feel that you'd like to have that chance, get an application form and have a go."

You can pick up an entry form by contacting Chapel Gallery on 01695 571328 or by email at chapel.gallery@westlancs.gov.uk. Alternatively, pop into the gallery, in St Helens Road, Ormskirk. For further information you can also visit www.chapelgallery.org.uk.

Care home crew reap their rewards

CARE home residents have been enjoying the fruits of their own labours - literally - after taking part in a gardening project.

As part of the project staff and residents at Arranmore Park in Square Lane, Burscough, planted strawberries and vegetables donated by local businesses Lovania Nurseries in Tarleton.

And their efforts came to fruition when their first crops made their arrival.

Bev Peters from the home said: "Today one of our residents, Bob, picked and enjoyed the first strawberry. This activity has already brought them so much joy."

Staff and residents at Arranmore Park Care Home have been enjoying a gardening project

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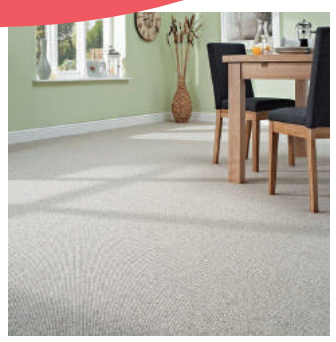

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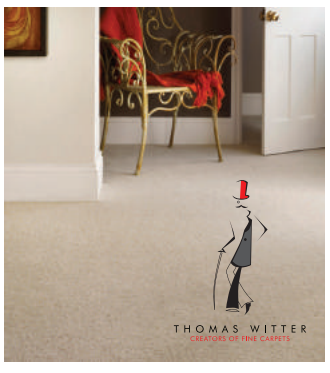

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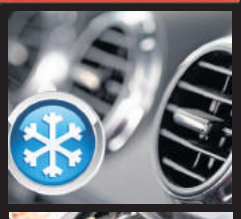

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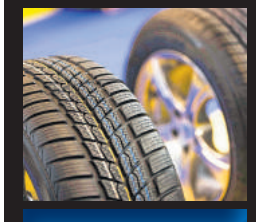

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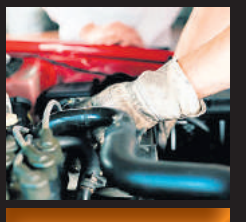

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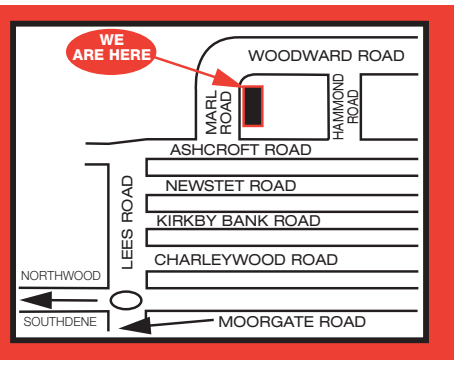

Sponsors wanted for animal sanctuary Family Fun Day fundraiser

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

OFFICIALS of a West Lancs-based charitable trust which cares for unwanted and neglected animals are seeking sponsors for its annual Family Fun Day to be held later this year.

The Woodlands Animal Sanctuary in Sandy Lane, Holmeswood currently cares for more than 350 animals, ranging from hedgehogs to horses.

It receives no government funding or financial support from a national charity and is entirely dependent on the goodwill of private benefactors and local businesses.

The Family Fun Day, which regularly attracts around 1,000 visitors, is the sanctuary's biggest fundraiser.

For this year's event, to be held on Sunday, September 4, they are asking local businesses and individuals to sponsor the core costs. In return, company logos and information will be used in publicity and at the event itself.

Trustee, Vickie Maude, said: " The Family Fun Day is a huge event for us but has significant core costs - marquee and toilet hire, the cost of entertainment, hire of tables and chairs etc. - which impact on the amount of money raised to support our work with the animals.

Important

"We hope that local businesses and individuals will support us by sponsoring a particular item, such as table and chair hire or advertising costs, to help us raise more much-needed funds.

"We will acknowledge their sponsorship in our events programme, as well as using their logo in publicity and on the day itself."

She continued: "This is the first time that we have asked for sponsorship for this important event and we hope that local businesses or individuals will see this as an innovative way to show their support for the work that the sanctuary does"

For more information on how to become a sponsor for the event contact the sanctuary on 01704 823293 or email info@animalsanctuary.org.uk.

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Quit Squad call for county's smokers to 'take a breather'

Report by **Henry James**

IN the wake of Breathe Easy Week (June 13-19) people in Lancashire who smoke, vape or chew in Lancashire are being called on to quit and learn about the numerous health benefits of doing so.

An estimated 192,000 people across the county smoke and the Quit Squad, funded by Lancashire County Council, is using Breathe Easy Week as an opportunity to raise awareness about the negative effects that tobacco has on people's health.

Julie Trezise, Quit Squad manager for Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust, said: "Smoking tobacco is harmful to you and those around you, including your friends and family.

"It is the biggest cause of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and causes damage to the airways and lungs. This can lead to the development of this long-term condition.

"Smoking can also make symptoms worse for people with asthma and other lung conditions. Stopping smoking is very important in preventing COPD from developing or getting worse.

"People who have a lung condition might feel that they've already damaged their lungs and that there is little point in giving up. However, it's never too late to quit and giving up could help you to feel a lot better.

"We want to highlight that anyone who smokes, vapes or chews can benefit from the help on offer by the Quit Squad. You are four times more likely to stop smoking with expert help than alone."

According to the British Lung Foundation there are also financial benefits to giving up smoking. If you smoke 20 cigarettes a day, you could save around £50 a week by stopping. That amounts to a saving of more than £220 every month, or £2,640 a year.

Lancashire's estimated 192,000 smokers are being urged to quit

Smoking rates remain higher in Lancashire than England as a whole (19.8% versus 18.4%) which means an estimated 192,262 smokers across Lancashire.

There are also more young people smoking in Lancashire than the national averages with 11% of 14 to 17-year-olds smoking.

One in six women in Lancashire continues to smoke during pregnancy.

Breathe Easy Week is an annual awareness event organised by the British Lung Foundation.

In addition to drop-in clinics (for which no appointments are required) and one-to-one sessions, the Quit Squad also offers group sessions in the community.

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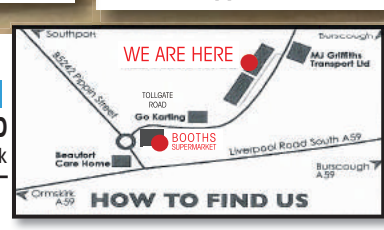

Park Praise event returns to town

Host of attractions lined up for fifth staging of community get-together

by **Danielle Thompson**

THE fifth annual Park Praise day is coming to Ormskirk on Saturday, June 25.

Organised by the Churches Together in Ormskirk & District group, the family-friendly community event will run from 11am to 4pm in the town's Coronation Park.

Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Liz Savage, will perform the official opening and also making an appearance will be songwriter and worship leader Dave Billborough.

Among the many attractions and activities on the day will be bouncy castles, donkeys, go-karts, children's train ride, short course tennis, BBQ, refreshments, birds of prey, dog display team, live music, puppets, a magician, craft tent with face painting and lots of stalls.

Jackie Currie, from Churches Together in Ormskirk & District, said: "Park Praise has established itself as a fantastic fun and free event for all the family and I know many people are looking forward to what promises to be a great party atmosphere.

A previous Park Praise event in Ormskirk

"I am delighted to be one of the organisers of an event which myself and fellow Christians believe shows how we can offer something back to the people of Ormskirk. "We look forward to seeing the community come and join us for another phenomenal Park Praise."

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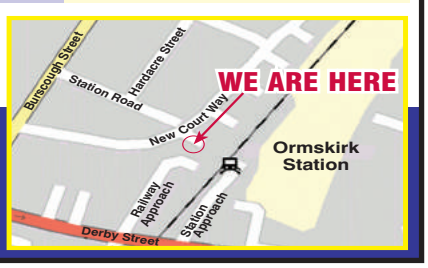

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Village antiques dealer to feature on TV show

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A VILLAGE antiques dealer played host to a couple of special guests when his shop was chosen to be featured in a popular TV programme.

Margie Cooper and John Stapleton of the BBC's Celebrity Antiques Road Trip show visited Aiden Finn, owner of the Old Corn Mill Antiques for filming at the centre in Bretherton, just east of Tarleton on the border between West Lancs and neighbouring Chorley.

The pair arrived in a classic Jaguar E-type and bought a number of items for the show from Aiden, who has been in the trade for more than 45 years, before enjoying afternoon tea at the centre's tea rooms.

Aiden Finn (centre) pictured with Margie Cooper and John Stapleton during filming of Celebrity Antiques Road Trip at his Bretherton antiques centre

Exciting

Antiques Road Trip is a BBC2 series in which two antiques experts are each given £200 to buy items to be sold at auction withv the winner being the one making the most profit.

In the celebrity version an expert is paired with a guest with any profits donated to Children in Need.

Margie Cooper is an antiques specialist on the show while journalist and TV presenter John Stapleton was the episode's celebrity guest.

Aiden, who has run the Old Corn Mill Antiques Centre since 2003, said: "It was absolutely fantastic and very exciting to be involved in filming. I can't wait to see the show when it is shown on TV later in the year."

Celebrity Antiques Road Trip's Margie Cooper and John Stapleton show Aiden Finn the E-Type Jaguar they arrived in

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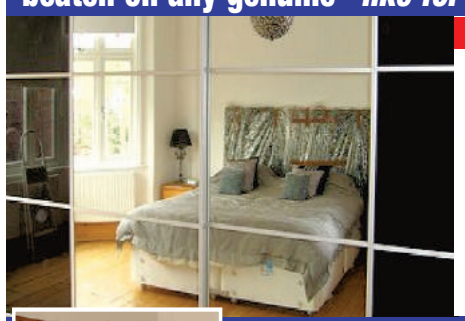

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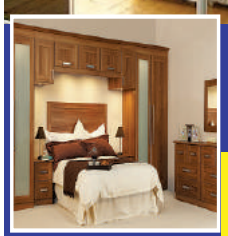

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Curtain set to rise on youngsters' magical musical

TALENTED young performers from West Lancashire are looking forward to performing the fairytale-themed musical Into The Woods on Saturday, July 2.

Dancers and actors from Lancashire Youth Performing Arts (LYPA), a dance and drama school for three to 18-year-olds based at Edge Hill University, will perform the show at 1pm and 7pm at the university's Rose Theatre.

LYPA principal, Sharon Powell, said: "This storybook fantasy is a musical journey with an original story based on several Brothers Grimm fairy tales.

"A childless baker and his wife set out on a mission to begin a family but must break a witch's curse. Their travels bring them to interact with characters from Little Red Riding Hood, Jack & the Beanstalk, Rapunzel, Cinderella and more.

"The show is delightful with a dose of reality thrown in the mix that makes you question the concept of happily ever after.

"The musical intertwines the plots of several Grimm fairy tales and follows them further to explore the consequences of the characters' wishes and quests.

"The children love the songs and sing them with passion and enthusiasm. I am so proud of the work everyone has put into producing such a wonderful show."

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MP's funding bid plea to charities

ROSIE Cooper is encouraging local registered charities to consider applying for funding through the Morrisons Foundation.

The scheme is funded by the proceeds from the sale of carrier bags at Morrisons supermarkets following the new rules requiring large retailers to charge 5p per bag which came into effect in October.

The Morrisons Foundation provides grants to charities with an aim to improve local people's lives.

The West Lancs MP said: "This is a fantastic way for the money raised through the sale of carrier bags to be re-invested back into local communities.

" I would strongly recommend that local charities get their applications in as soon as possible."

Applications for grants can be made through the Morrisons Foundation website at morrisonsfoundation.com.

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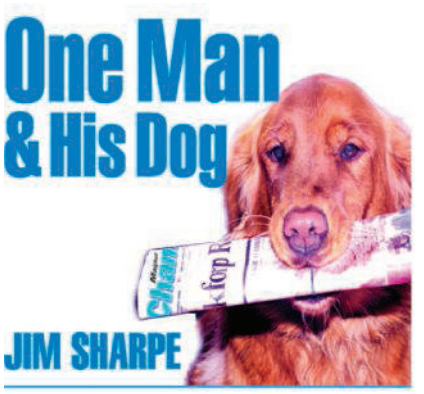

We should be the authors of our own fortunes

BY now we have all probably got the idea that tomorrow (Thursday, June 23) is the most important opportunity we will ever have to use our vote.

I rather think that most of you will have a pretty good idea how I will cast my vote. I have said for years, long before it was at all fashionable, that the quicker we get out from under the dead hand of the European Union, the better.

I am not an economist, I don't have rows of figures and statistics at my fingertips. On this subject I have no political axe to grind. I just have a visceral gut certainty that the fate of the United Kingdom should be in our hands, not in the grasp of an army of unelected free-loaders. After all, if we took back our dwindling sovereignty and decided at any point that our government was going the wrong way, whether over immigration or taxation, we can always vote it out – try that on for size in Brussels!

And it seems to me that all the 'Remain' group has to offer (apart from more of the same) are threats and the possibility of what basically comes to revenge from the EU should we decide to leave.

We are told that 'important' members of the EU, Germany and France in particular, want us to stay in the Club. Why? Because they like us? Well, they've shown precious little sign of that over the last few hundred years. So again, why?

The answer, of course, is that Great Britain is a major world player still and they are terrified that should we break away this would prompt several other countries whose people (if not their governments) are fed up with EU red tape and diktats and might very well follow suit.

Who now thinks that joining the Euro would have been a good idea? I bet most of the 'Remain' zealots did at the time! These are the same people now trying to scare us into submission by banging on about the risks involved in leaving. Quite apart from the fact that there are risks involved in maintaining the status quo, the man or woman who never took a risk, never achieved anything.

And some of these supposed 'risks' look a little wobbly to me. We are told that Airbus Industries warn about possible job losses if we leave. Would they have an Airbus without wings, or perhaps the Spanish could simply churn out a wing or two? And would Airbus tell a prospective customer: "Sorry, you can't have Rolls Royce engines, we've fallen out with the Brits so you can have what we tell you!" Of course not. Would Volkswagen or Mercedes want to turn their backs on their largest export market (us) just so swingeing tariffs could be applied to our exports to Europe? Not on your nelly!

And a quick word about immigration. It seems to me (although in the TV debates I've seen no-one has had the courage to say so) that EU immigration laws could easily be termed 'racist'. Because since we have to abide by the free movement of peoples from within the EU, the only possible way to control immigration is to limit the number of people from outside. So we miss out on highly-trained Asians and Africans – even Havard allumni – who wish to work here. I may be being simplistic, but it seems to me that if we are going to favour any one group of peoples over another, then surely we should be looking at those from former British colonies first?

One of my mother's most irritating traits was to tell me when something awful had happened to upset the serenity of my life: "It's your own fault!" And of course, it was the more irritating because she was right.

But I would rather by far find myself in the mire because of my own error than to be in a similar place because I had blindly followed orders and gone against my own gut instincts.

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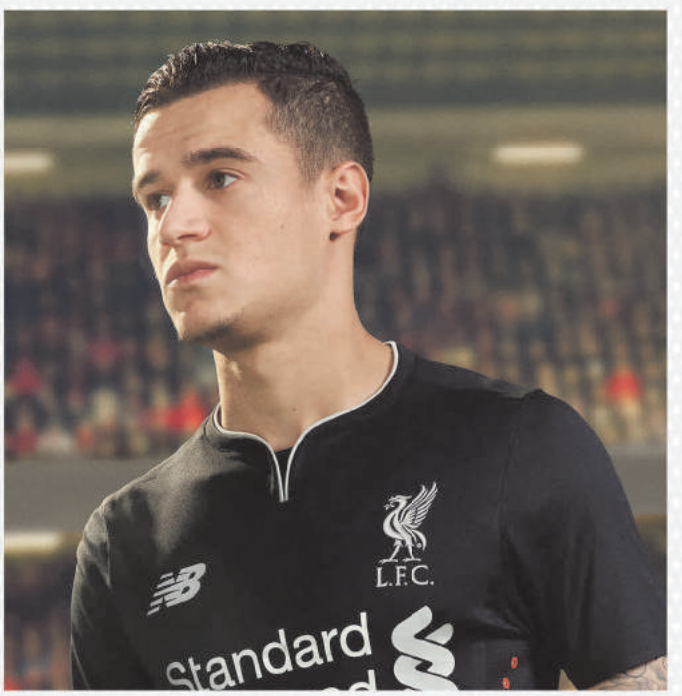

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Publisher's award for Edge Hill professor

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Professor Beattie's new book, 'Rethinking Body Language' builds on recent cutting-edge research to offer a new theoretical perspective on body language that will transform the way we look at other people.

He said: "I'm delighted to be Routledge's author of the month for psychology. Some very eminent psychologists have featured in this slot before, with some fantastic books. I take it as a great honour."

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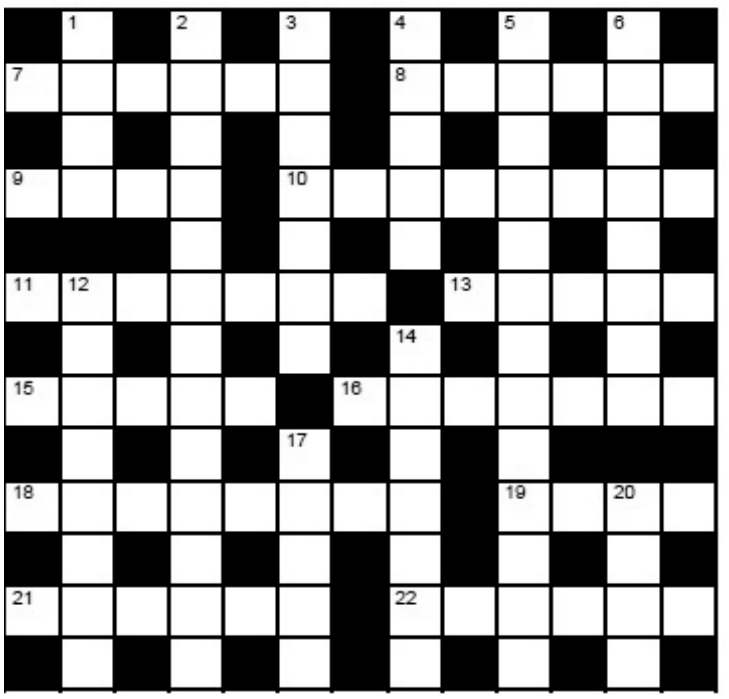

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Across: 7 Aerate. 8 Absorb. 9 Bawl. 10 Elegance. 11 Bedouin. 13 Tiara. 15 Racer. 17 Diverge. 20 Catholic. 21 Bear. 22 Potash. 23 Lather.

Down: 1 Female. 2 Jail. 3 Benefit. 4 Wages. 5 Astatine. 6 Grocer. 12 Overhear. 14 Piccolo. 16 Amazon. 18 Goatee. 19 Aloha. 21 Bite.

ACROSS

7 Relating to iron (6)
8 Nationality of tennis player Boris Becker (6)
9 Move about aimlessly (4)
10 Nautical shout (8)
11 Bring to life (7)
13 Dog-like African scavenger (5)
15 Strong, unpleasant smell (5)
16 Humiliate, treat with contempt (7)
18 Informal US term for a criminal record (8)
19 Killer whale (4)
21 Project, strategy (6)
22 Plump, chubby (6)

DOWN

1 Uruguayan currency (4)
2 Leader of the Government (13)
3 Assistant, follower (7)
4 Representative, proxy (5)
5 Norfolk seaside resort (13)
6 Stranded (8)
12 Small songbird (8)
14 Metric unit of land measurement (7)
17 Confused fight or scuffle (5)
20 Hypocrisy, humbug (4)

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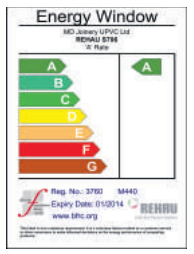

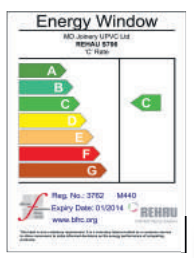

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Clive Grunshaw, Anna Jonsson, PC Aieysha Bana, diversity officer, and DS Paul Smart, football risk management officer with a campaign poster

Mayor joins care home royal party

RESIDENTS at a nursing home celebrated the Queen's 90th birthday with afternoon tea and musical entertainment.

Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Liz Savage, also attended celebrations at Springfield Court Nursing Home in Springfield Road, Aughton along with residents' friends and families.

The civic guest was presented with a bouquet of flowers by resident Georgina Howarth before joining fellow guests for a cup of tea and a slice of cake.

They were then entertained by the Lazy Boys barbershop quartet from Southport and joined in singing the national anthem before toasting the Queen to round off a memorable afternoon.

The mayor receives her bouquet from resident Georgina Howarth

Football fans reminded not to get carried away during Euros

Report by **Henry James**

FOOTBALL fans are being reminded not to get carried away in the heat of the moment while watching Euro 2016 games.

Lancashire Police and the county's police and crime commissioner Clive Grunshaw have teamed up with Kick It Out, football's equality and inclusion organisation, to urge fans to enjoy the games responsibly.

Anna Jonsson, reporting officer at Kick It Out, visited police headquarters in Hutton where she gave her backing to the 'Ugly consequences of the beautiful game' campaign in Lancashire which targets alcohol-fuelled crime, warning fans: 'There are no excuses. Don't pay the penalty.'

Mr Grunshaw, who funded a series of posters and banners for the campaign, said: "There is no place for abuse in football and I would urge all fans to know their limits if they have a drink during the game. Sadly reports of domestic abuse, alcohol-related violence and drink or drug driving are all too common during major sporting events.

"It is fantastic to have the support of Kick It Out, an organisation which has done so much to promote equality and prevent discrimination in the game. Together we can stamp out the ugly side of football and make sure it can be enjoyed by all fans of the game."

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Chief inspector Ian Mills, Lancashire Police's lead on hate crime, said: "Great progress has been made in combating racism and discrimination in football over recent years through a strong partnership between all those involved with the game, and we want to reassure our communities across Lancashire that any hate crime linked with Euro 2016 will not be tolerated.

"We are committed to tackling all incidents and crimes motivated by hostility and prejudice and we would urge anyone who has been a victim of a hate incident or crime to have the confidence to come forward and report it to police."

Posters and banners have been put up around police stations across Lancashire, targeting three key areas of crime that are often associated with major sporting tournaments - domestic abuse, alcohol-related violence and drink or drug driving.

Meanwhile, 'Klick It Out', a new campaign targeting discrimination on social media, is being run by Kick It Out to coincide with Euro 2016. For more information, visit klickitout.org.

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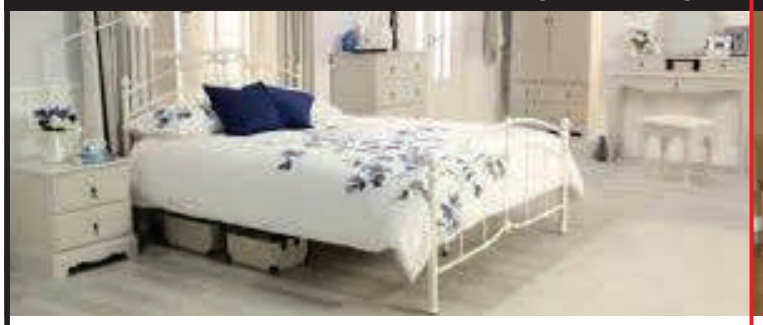

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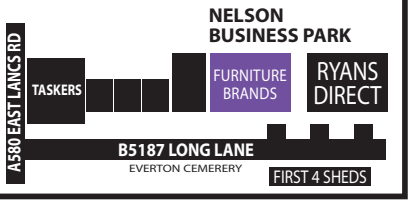

Pupils question peer on parliamentary process

PUPILS at a local secondary school were able to question a member of the House of Lords on the parliamentary process during a question-and-answer session at the school.

Lord John Sharkey visited Ormskirk School to encourage students to become more engaged in politics and gave a speech about the work and role of the House of Lords to GCSE and sixth-form students.

This was followed by the question-and-answer session on various aspects of the parliamentary process and life at Westminster.

History and politics teacher, Joanne Mayne said: "This was a fantastic opportunity for our students to interact with someone who knows the parliamentary system inside out, as it can sometimes seem far removed from their daily lives. It is really important that we engage our young people with politics and give them the opportunity to ask questions at every level. This is why we are also in the process of organising our own EU Referendum debate."

The visit was arranged through the Lord Speaker's 'Peers in Schools' programme, which has been running across the UK since 2007 and has so far involved around 75,000 young people. It is an outreach programme which sends members of the House of Lords into schools and academies and colleges across the country to give talks in support of the citizenship curriculum.

Lord John Sharkey (fifth from left) with pupils at Ormskirk School

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College bosses say the event was a great success with guests having the opportunity to view the facilities, speak to Wella Colour Masters, view latest techniques and technologies in the industry and find out about emerging fashion techniques.

During the evening local employers, clients, salon owners and learners enjoyed free mini beauty treatments and demonstrations and received a free gift bag.

Guests could also learn about training and professional courses available at the college, apprenticeships and work placements and speak to course tutors and the Francesco hair and beauty team.

U3A group's royal celebration

MORE than 40 members of the Burscough branch of the University of the Third Age (U3A) held a special celebration to mark the Queen's 90th birthday.

The celebration at the Lathom and Burscough Older People's Club in Lord Street, saw members of the group dress up to enjoy afternoon tea with Bucks Fizz, cakes and sandwiches.

They were joined by a cardboard cut-out image of Her Majesty and a surprise guest with an uncanny likeness to Prince Philip!

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Scarecrows popping up all over!

SCARECROWS have been popping up all over West Lancashire as part of a number of community displays.

Hundreds of scarecrows have been seen after community groups and parish councils across West Lancs set up their own displays to mark the start of the summer.

At least 40 crafty creations have been spotted in Halsall since the start of June when the Halsall Scarecrow Competition was launched by members of the village's environmental group. This contest runs until Sunday, July 10.

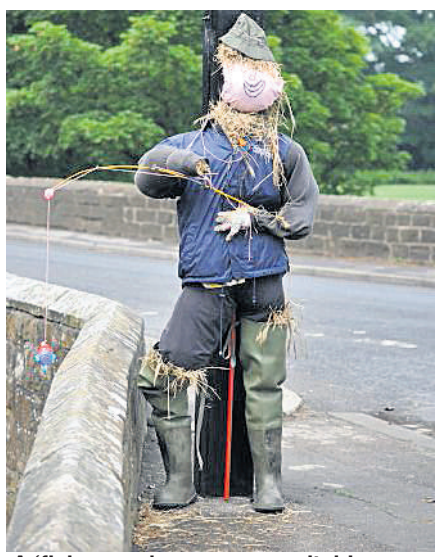
Halsall residents have now joined in on the action, while photographs have been sent in to the Champion of scarecrow figures in Haskayne and Barton.

The various creations include a schoolgirl, a witch who has 'crashed into' a lamppost, a jockey riding his horse through a hedge, Spiderman, a policeman, a birdwatcher, a ballerina 'stuck' in a hedge and workmen!

In May, the Friends of Tarleton Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School organised a Scarecrow Festival featuring creations on show at homes and shops around the village. This was their first annual Scarecrow Festival and raised £1,660 for the school.

One of Halsall's Scarecrow Festival entries.

This 'workman' scarecrow welcomes visitors to St Cuthbert's Church



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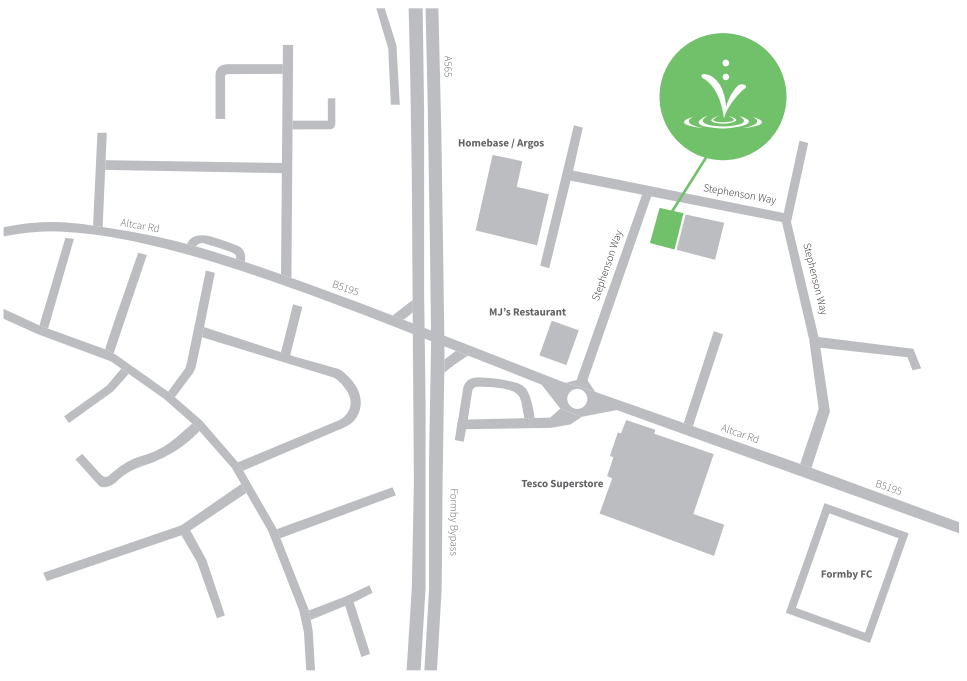

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For the sixth year in a row, St. Mary's College will stage the musical spectacular at its Blundell Park playing field on Little Crosby Road at 7.30pm on Saturday 2nd July.

Proms in the Park will feature 250 talented young musicians from the College and its Preparatory School, The Mount, conducted by the school's Director of Music, Andrew Byers. There will also be a special guest soloist Rachael Russell who will perform on the evening.

Compere for the event will be BBC Radio Merseyside presenter Roger Phillips and there will also be a special guest appearances by the choirs from Great Crosby Catholic Primary School and English Martyrs Catholic Primary School in Litherland.

The St. Mary's pupils will play all the old favourites from the annual Last Night of the Proms concert at the Royal Albert Hall.

These include Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance March No 1 (Land of Hope and Glory), Jerusalem, the Fantasia on British Sea Songs written by Proms founder Henry Wood and, of course, Rule Britannia.

The concert will finish with a performance of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture, which will be accompanied by a spectacular fireworks display.

St. Mary's Principal, Mike Kennedy, commented: "The Last Night of the Proms concert has been a tradition at the school for many years now, but staging it in the open air in recent summers has brought a whole new dimension to the event. "Following the excellent feedback we received in 2015, we're hoping for an even bigger audience this year."

"They will be able to enjoy a concert that will be both a rousing way to end the school year and a wonderful showcase for the wealth of musical talent here at St. Mary's," added Mr Kennedy.

Advanced ticket prices for the concert are £17.50 for adults, £10.00 for children (applies to students) and £50.00 for a family ticket (2 adults, 2 children). Entrance is free for children under five.

For more information about the event and to book tickets please ring St. Mary's College on 0151 924 3926 or email proms@stmarys.lpool.sch.uk.

Care trust helpline offers a listening ear to those feeling sad or depressed

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

FEELING low, lonely or experiencing mental health problems? If so help could be just a phone call away.

Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust's well-being and mental health helpline provides a listening ear for people who are feeling low or in distress to get in touch.

It can also signpost callers to additional services including mental health teams and services to help with overall wellbeing including eating disorders, domestic violence and sleeping problems.

The helpline, which is staffed by trained volunteers, can be contacted on 0800 915 4640 and is open Monday to Friday from 7 to 11pm and Saturday and Sunday from noon to midnight.

Perri McGovern, helpline volunteer co-ordinator at the trust said: "Around one in four people will experience a mental health problem at some point during their life, such as depression, stress or anxiety. The helpline provides a listening ear for people who feel they can't talk to those close to them about how they're feeling or anyone concerned about the health of a loved one.

"We are also able to signpost people who may be unsure where to turn for assistance on issues such as bereavement or sleeping problems, amongst many others, in order to help people with their overall health and wellbeing.

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"This year marks the 20th anniversary of the helpline and I'd like to say a massive thank-you to all our trained volunteers whose dedication and commitment to providing a confidential, supportive listening service that ensures we are able to keep the helpline going."

For more information about the helpline, visit lancs-mentalhealthhelpline.nhs.uk.

Cyclist hurt in hillside collision

A CYCLIST aged in his 50s was injured after colliding with a kerb on Parbold Hill.

Lancashire Constabulary and the North West Ambulance Service were called at around 10.10am on Saturday, June 18 after reports that the cyclist had hit the kerb and fallen from his bicycle.

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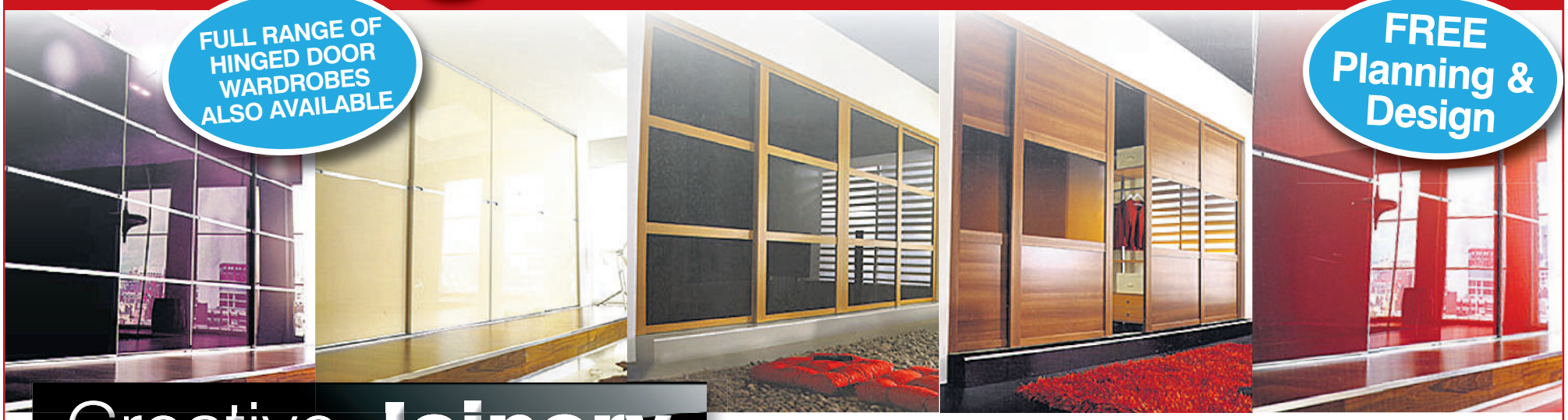

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HEALTH professionals in West Lancashire are advising people with Type 2 diabetes how to live well with the condition.

Southport and Ormskirk NHS Hospital Trust offer free courses aimed at sufferers and their carers.

'Diabetes and You' is aimed at people diagnosed within the last 12 months, or who have not previously attended the course; while ' Diabetes and More' is an annual refresher course.

Both offer advice on how best to live with the condition, tips and advice on lifestyle choices, how to manage blood sugar levels and understanding the benefits of exercise and a balanced diet. They also provide the opportunity to meet new people living with the same condition.

West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) want to hear the views of residents with Type 2 diabetes in relation to patient education; if the courses currently on offer are delivered in the way you wish to receive information and if effective use is being made of technology etc. The answers provided will help them to re-structure how information and the education is given and received in the future.

For more information on the courses, visit westlancashireccg.nhs.uk.

Borough fifth on charity's list of regions's eviction risk 'hot spots'

Report by **Henry James**

Shelter

Shelter have released alarming new figures on households in West Lancashire at risk of losing their homes

ALARMING new figures released by housing and homelessness charity Shelter have revealed 270 renting households in West Lancashire were put at risk of losing their homes in the past year.

The charity's new analysis of statistics from the Ministry of Justice, showed that one in every 45 rented homes in the borough were at risk of eviction.

Shelter has also identified 'home threat hot spots' across the region where renters face the greatest risk of losing their home, a result, they say, of the chronic shortage of affordable homes combined with crippling welfare cuts.

The charity says a total of 19,000 renting households in the North West were put at risk of losing their home in the past year. That is equivalent to nearly 46,000 occupants - enough to fill Liverpool FC's Anfield stadium.

Halton topped the list with one in 34 rented homes under threat of eviction, while West Lancashire (one in 45) was fifth.

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John Ryan, service manager at Shelter's Manchester advice hub, said: "Every day at Shelter we hear from people who are struggling to keep up with their rent, many in total desperation after the court papers land on their doormat and the threat of being evicted becomes very real.

"It's natural to feel overwhelmed, but remember you're not alone – Shelter is here 365 days a year.

"If you're struggling to keep up, or facing eviction and not sure what to do next, get expert advice as soon as possible.

"It can be the difference between losing your home and keeping it.

"Shelter is here to help at shelter.org.uk/advice, on 0808 800 4444 or at our Manchester advice centre."

The charity say the volume of people in England seeking advice from Shelter is increasing. In the past year alone, more than 9,800 people facing eviction called the helpline for advice and more than 500,000 people visited the Shelter website eviction advice pages.

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Flushing baby wipes causes marine problems

By Danielle Thompson

A MARINE specialist has revealed that wet wipes are posing a serious threat to marine life as they end up on beaches when they are flushed away.

From wiping your baby's bum, getting rid of the make-up or rinsing off fake tan, baby wipes are very versatile option and bathrooms across West Lancs are full of them.

But instead of ending up in the bin when they're finished with, millions are being popped down the pan because of consumer confusion.

That's because some are labelled flushable, some biodegradable and some need consumers to read the small print. But the truth is, even those labelled flushable are failing to meet the water industry standard.

Now the Marine Conservation Society (MCS) has launched a campaign to persuade retailers and manufacturers to clearly label their wet wipe products with a 'don't flush' message on their packaging so they go in the bin, not down the loo.

MCS's head of pollution Dr Laura Foster said: "Our sewerage systems weren't built to cope with wet wipes. When flushed they don't disintegrate like toilet paper, and they typically contain plastic so once they reach the sea, they last for a very long time. They can cause blockages in our sewers, and then, everything else that has been flushed down the loo can either back up into people's homes, or overflow into rivers and seas."

Organisms ingesting microplastic found in the wipes ranges from small zooplankton to larger marine animals such as fin whales and they've been found in mussels heading for human consumption.

Mums encouraged to breastfeed in public

Health bosses want host of businesses and organisations across Lancashire to become more 'friendly' towards the issue of feeding babies naturally in public

HEALTH professionals across Lancashire are marking National Breastfeeding Celebration Week by encouraging local businesses to become breastfeeding-friendly.

A number of events are being held from Saturday 18 - Monday 27 June to highlight how local communities can support mothers to breastfeed whenever and wherever they are.

Businesses, employers, schools and colleges are encouraged to become breastfeeding-friendly to reassure mothers that not only does the law support them to breastfeed their baby where ever their baby becomes hungry but the local community do so too. This in turn supports a positive image of breastfeeding and helps promote and protect breastfeeding as the normal natural way to feed babies.

Katie Wharton, infant feeding co-ordinator at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust said: "On National Breastfeeding Celebration Week, everyone has a role to support breastfeeding. Exclusively breastfeeding babies is recommended for around the first six months of a baby's life and to continue along with solid foods for two years and longer. There are immense benefits of breastfeeding to mums, babies and society and mothers need to be supported to do so. This can happen if breastfeeding in public continues to be welcomed—something that helps mums to continue to breastfeed while they're out and about. Businesses, schools and colleges can also easily help out by signing up to the Breastfeeding Friendly Places Scheme."

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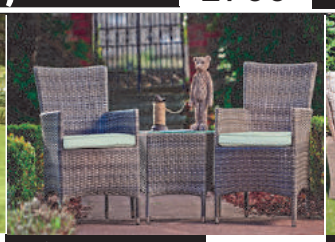

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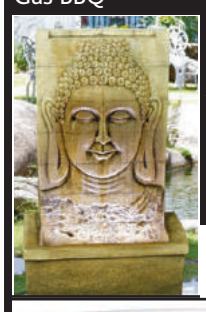

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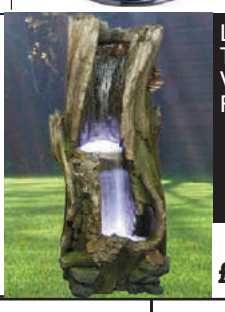

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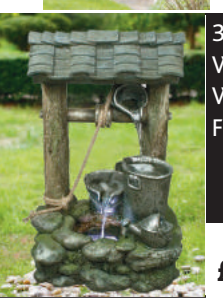

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In a divorce, your pension may be seen as an asset no different from any other. It could be treated the same way your home, vehicles or possessions are.

Although it is not always part of the divorce settlement, it is particularly common in cases where one partner has opted to stay at home and raise children. As they were unable to contribute to their own pension, a court may feel they are entitled to a share of yours.

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Business event hailed a success

MORE than 60 business people attended a summer investment event in Burscough.

Key figures from the North West's financial industry shared their knowledge at Acumen Financial Partnership's annual free event at their offices at Swordfish Business Park last week.

The event included a Question Time-style panel discussion with industry leaders including John Wyn-Evans from Investec Wealth and Investment and Brewin Dolphin's Ben Gutteridge.

Guests also enjoyed a glass of wine and an evening meal with entertainment provided by guitarist Brendan O'Rourke.

Topics tackled included how a vote for Brexit might influence personal finances, why people choose certain investments and how business owners can extract hard-earned profits.

The speakers and guests took part in their own mini referendum on the UK's EU membership with 70 per cent saying that they would opt to remain.

Acumen's managing director, Angela Maher, said: "Everyone who visited was really blown away by the event. Along with clients there were guests from across the North West business community, including solicitors, accountants and tax planners."

Right: Guests at Acumen Financial Partnership's summer investment event

Vets' Alabama Rot threat warning to dog owners

Report by **Louisa Austin**

DOG owners are being urged to take extra precautions when out walking their pets this summer to help combat the deadly disease, Alabama Rot.

The mysterious illness, which first appeared in the late 1980s affecting greyhounds in America, has been found in at least 27 counties in England and Wales since 2012, 78 cases confirmed in the UK, and 14 being already identified this year.

Now vets - including Alabama Rot experts Anderson Moores Veterinary Specialists and Vets4Pets - are working together, to increase awareness and help find the causes.

"The cause of Alabama Rot, clinically known as idiopathic cutaneous and renal glomerular vasculopathy (CRGV), is still unknown and there is no known way to prevent a dog from contracting the disease," said David Walker, from Anderson Moores.

"While there is currently no known way to prevent a dog from contracting the disease, there is a very useful guide available online to help people understand where in the UK confirmed cases have been found and advice on how to spot signs.

Beware of Alabama Rot, warn vets

"Any concerned dog owners should visit www.vets4pets.com/stop-alabama-rot/."

Vets4Pets is supporting the research work carried out by Anderson Moores Veterinary Specialists to help understand the disease, how it can be treated and possibly prevented.

"The concern among vets in the UK is that, unlike the Alabama Rot that affected greyhounds in America, the disease in the UK does not seem to target any specific breed, age, sex or weight of dog," said Dr Huw Stacey, director of clinical services at Vets4Pets.

"Treatment is supportive, but is only successful in 20 to 30% of cases, which is why we're encouraging all dog owners to use the online interactive guide to help them understand the clinical signs and confirmed locations of Alabama Rot.

"The first sign that is normally seen is a skin sore that isn't caused by a known injury. Most commonly these sores are found below the elbow or knee and appear as a distinct swelling, a patch of red skin or are open and ulcer-like.

"Any dog owners who are worried that their pet might have Alabama Rot should contact their veterinary practice immediately."

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Celebrate The Queen's 90th birthday at the Floral Hall

AUDIENCES at Southport's Floral Hall have a regal and patriotic afternoon in store on Wednesday, June 29, as they celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's 90th birthday.

Neil Sands and his wonderful West End cast travel back over the 90 Glorious Years of her record breaking reign, bringing back golden memories with songs made famous by many of her favourite singers and stars from her Royal Command performances.

Expect songs from the shows to those from the swinging sixties, a cockney knees up to a flag waving finale with a very special tribute to the veterans of her armed forces, along with a rousing section from Last Night of the Proms.

Neil Sands has built a reputation for popular 'old time' shows with his annual pre-Christmas visit to Southport and the traditional mix of wonderful voices, stunning costumes and lots of good old fashioned fun, makes this the perfect nostalgic way to celebrate this historic occasion.

The afternoon is completed by a pre-show two course lunch. Meal and ticket packages are now sold out but please check with box office for returns on show tickets.

The show – 90 Glorious Years will start at 2.30pm.

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ORMSKIRK Music Society will be taking a musical tour around the British Isles with calling points in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales on Saturday, July 2.

The festive mood will come to a climax with performances of the traditional Last Night of the Proms favourites, Henry Wood's Fantasia on British Sea Songs (including the Sailor's Hornpipe), Jerusalem, Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 (Land of Hope and Glory), and Rule, Britannia!

The concert will be at Ormskirk School at 7.30pm.

To reserve a ticket call Clare Williams on 01925 221301 or email clarebhamilton@hotmail.com. Tickets will also be available on the door. For more information about tickets, venues and society updates, visit the website at www.ormskirkmusicsociety.org.uk.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

KERWIN LORRAINE ELIZABETH
Twin Sister of Mike
Sadly missed.
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Funeral took place 8th June 2016. Thank you very much to all who kindly helped us. Thanks also to God for his help and presence.

DAVIES LESLIE (Les)

Thelma and family would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their kind words of sympathy, sympathy cards and donations received for Parkinsons UK and St Michael's in The City Church Liverpool 1. We would also like to thank Dr Fletcher, Consultant Neurologist at the Walton Centre, all the staff at the Derby Day Centre Ormskirk, the girls from Stocks Care Agency, Sandy Lane, the girls at Martins Newspaper Shop, Sandy Lane and Sharon, Les's Barbers in Sandy Lane. Special thanks to Rev Canon Guy Elsmore and Rev Canon Neville Black (retired) who supported the family and conducted a wonderful celebration service and finally to Margaret Whitelam of Skelmersdale Funeral Service for the dignified Funeral arrangements.

DEATHS

WRIGHT SAMUEL PETER (SAM)
16th June 2016
Aged 12 years

Fell asleep with the angels. Precious Son of Sally and Damian, wonderful Brother of Millie-Rose and the late Ella. Treasured Grandson of Annette and the late Peter and also of Chris and John. Brilliant Nephew of Rachael, Lee, Gavin, Cheryl and the great Uncle John. Super Cousin and fantastic friend to so many. Sam will be greatly missed by all. A Service to celebrate Sam's life will be held at Ainsdale Methodist Church on Monday 27th June at 11.00am followed by interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery. This is a celebration of Sam's life, please feel free to dress accordingly. Donations are being gratefully received for Bone Marrow Unit Royal Manchester Children's Hospital and Ronald McDonald House Manchester and When You Wish Upon A Star North West. Donations, flowers and funeral enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086.

Announcements

DEATHS

BLUNT JEAN
On 16th June 2016
Aged 90 years at home

Much loved Mum to Ray and Geoff, Nan to Neal, Laura, Daniel and Jenna, Great Nan to Ava, Sister to Stan. Funeral service at Southport Crematorium on Monday 27th June at 2.00pm. Family flowers only please but donations are being gratefully received for Diabetes UK. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086.

BELL JOHN
Aged 82
11th June 2016

Devoted brother of Olive and Uncle of Neville, Nicholas, Philip, Paula,David and their families. Passed away peacefully at home. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Funeral to be held at Thornton Crematorium, Monday 27th June at 1.20pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being gratefully received for St Josephs Jospice, Thornton. Donations and enquiries to H Leslie Humphreys, Liverpool Road, Crosby, 0151 909 4981.

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DEATHS

HALSALL HARRY
16th June 2016
Peacefully in hospital aged 85 years of Ormskirk

Dearly loved Husband of Betty, much loved Dad of Sue and David, dear Father-in-law of John and Kate and a loving Grandad of Matthew and Luke. Funeral Service and Interment at Ormskirk Parish Church on Friday 24th June at 2.30pm. Family flowers only by request but donations if so desired for Prostate Cancer UK. Donations and further enquiries please to Margaret Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Ormskirk Tel: 01695 424888

PARKES (THOMPSON) CAROLYN
Passed away peacefully at Queenscourt Hospice
9th June 2016

Cherished mum to Audrey, sister to Sandra, Suzanne and Christine, much loved aunty to all of her nieces and nephews.

She was an inspiration to all who knew her and will be greatly missed.

A celebration of her life is to be held at 11am, 2nd July at Hesketh Moss Methodist Church, Moss Lane, Hesketh Bank, PR4 6XJ.

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Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence

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Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SCARTH HILL LANE, POPPY LANE, LONG LANE, GRAVEYARD LANE, BICKERSTAFFE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of road as specified in the attached schedule.
2. The prohibition will be operative as specified in the attached schedule or until completion of the works within this period.
3. Alternative routes for vehicular traffic affected by the closures is specified in the attached schedule:
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow utility works to be carried out.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701
[Ref: HRiT/2976/WH]

TTRO - WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH

Schedule of Temporary Road Closures

The table below shows the roads affected by the proposed utilities works and the extent to which they may be closed.

Diversion routes will be signed and adapted as and when the various sections are closed.

Road	Section	Additional information
1. Scarth Hill Lane	Jct with St Helens Road to Poppy Lane	From 11/07/2016 to 29/07/2016 Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.
2. Scarth Hill Lane	Outside Hillside to the Jct with St Helens Road	From 08/08/2016 to 16/09/2016 Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.
3. Poppy Lane	Scarth Hill Lane to the Jct with Croppers Lane	From 19/09/2016 to 23/09/2016. Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.
4. Long Lane	50m NW of the Jct with Long Lane to the Jct of Long Lane.	From 26/09/2016 to 30/09/2016 Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.
5. Graveyard Lane	For 30 Meters outside Maltkiln Farm Cottage	From 03/10/2016 to 07/10/2016 Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.
6. Graveyard Lane	Opposite no 1 to 25m Southwards	From 10/10/2016 to 14/10/2016 Access will be maintained whenever & wherever possible.

The main diversion routes are shown below.

1. Scarth Hill Lane – Long Lane – A506 Liverpool Road – A570 Ormskirk Road – Scarth Hill Lane. From Poppy Lane Follow, Croppers Lane – Long Lane – A506 Liverpool Road – A570 Ormskirk Road – Scarth Hill Lane.
2. Scarth Hill Lane – Ruff Lane – A570 Knowsley Road – A570 St Helens Road.
3. Poppy Lane – Scarth Hill Lane – Long Lane – Croppers Lane – Poppy Lane.
4. Long Lane – A506 Liverpool Road – A570 Ormskirk Road – A570 Park Road – B5197 Aughton Street – A59 Holborn Hill – Long Lane .

5 & 6. Graveyard Lane – Long lane – A506 Liverpool Road – Graveyard Lane.

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(HOLMESWOOD ROAD, HOLMESWOOD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Holmeswood Road, Holmeswood from its junction with A565 Roundabout Southport New Road to A59 Liverpool Road.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0700 hours and 1700 hours from Monday 4th July 2016 until Friday 29th July or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: A565 Southport New Road – A59 Liverpool Road and Vice Versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow utility works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White,
Network Regulation Manager,
Lancashire Highway Services,
0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/3123/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(LAFFORD LANE, UPHOLLAND, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle, to proceed over that length of Lafford lane, Upholland from 20 meters southbound outside of Rothwell House.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 27th June 2016 until 18:00 on Wednesday 29th June 2016 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: A577 Grove Road - College Road – Stoney Brow - School Lane – Lafford Lane and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow utilities works to be carried out. Authority given for this Order to be made: Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services,
0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/3263/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(STATION ROAD, PARBOLD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle, cycle or pedestrian to proceed over that length of Station Road, Parbold from 20 meters either side of the level crossing.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 23:30 on Saturday 9th July 2016 until 08:00 on Sunday 10th July 2016 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: Station Road – Mill Lane – A5209 Alder Lane – B5246 Lancaster Lane – The Common.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Annual Crossing testing works to be carried out.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/2393/WH]

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Department for Transport

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

The Secretary of State gives notice of an Order made under Section 247 of the above Act entitled "The Stopping up of Highways (North West) (No. 35) Order 2016" authorising the stopping up of a network of unnamed highways including footpaths as leads off Firbeck and to the west of Houghton's Lane and two southern part-widths of Firbeck at Birch Green, Skelmersdale, in the Borough of West Lancashire to enable development as permitted by West Lancashire Borough Council, under reference 2015/0012/WL3.

Copies of the Order may be obtained, free of charge, from the Secretary of State, National Transport Casework Team, Tyneside House, Skinnerburn Road, Newcastle Business Park, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7AR or nationalcasework@dft.gsi.gov.uk (quoting NATTRAN/NW/S247/2279) and may be inspected during normal opening hours at West Lancashire Borough Council, Housing & Regeneration, 61 Westgate, Sandy Lane Centre, Skelmersdale WN8 8LP.

Any person aggrieved by or desiring to question the validity of or any provision within the Order, on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the above Act or that any requirement or regulation made has not been complied with, may, within 6 weeks of 22 June 2016 apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision included.

G Patrick, Casework Manager

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(A5209 CROW ORCHARD ROAD, WRIGHTINGTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of A5209 Crow Orchard Road, Wrightington from its junction with the Roundabout Jct27 of the M6.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily between 2100 hours and 0500 hours from Sunday 03rd July 2016 until Wednesday 06th July 2016 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: A5209 Crow Orchard Road – B5250 Mossy Lea Road – Boundary Lane – Pepper Lane – Old Pepper Lane – Almond Brook Road – B5206 Shevington Lane – A5209 Crow Orchard Road and Vice Versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.
Authority given for this Order to be made: Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/3003/WH]

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2016/0640/FUL Erection of a new building measuring 186 sq. m for use within Classes A1, A3 and A5 with associated external seating, landscaping and access works at Land Adjacent To, 1 Hattersley Way, The Hattersley Centre, Ormskirk.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2016/0274/FUL Erection of two storey side extension with garage below including access ramp railings and balustrade at Scarrig, Parbold Hill, Parbold.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2016/0541/FUL Demolition of dilapidated brick boundary wall to public footpath to be replaced with timber fence. Replacement of all timber fascia boards to property and garage with pvc at Beechfield, 40 Granville Park, Aughton.
Application No: 2016/0590/FUL Variation of condition No. 3 imposed on planning permission 2013/0708/COU to read 'The use hereby permitted shall only take place between the hours of 08.00 and 20.15 Monday to Fridays and 08.00 and 18.00 on Saturdays.' at 16 Derby Street, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2016/0617/LBC Listed Building Consent - Internal alterations to main admin office to remove internal load bearing wall between office and adjacent staff WC to create enlarged office. The flat felted roof over the office, kitchen and pupil WC's is also to be removed and replaced with new flat roof covering at Upholland Roby Mill C Of E Voluntary Aided Primary School, School Lane, Roby Mill, Up Holland.
Application No: 2016/0624/FUL The change of use of agricultural buildings at Hesketh Farm to create three new residential dwellings and associated parking and amenity space, including the demolition of one steel framed general purpose building at Land Adjacent To, 116 Station Road, Barton.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 22nd June 2016
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT903

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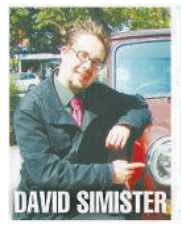
IT DOESN'T matter which way you vote – and for the sake of keeping democracy alive and kicking, I suggest you do - in tomorrow's big referendum.

Whether we opt to hang around in Brussels with our continental chums or decide to go it alone shouldn't matter too much. I'll even remain vaguely optimistic if a squirrel-quiffed billionaire becomes President of the World and appoints Katie Hopkins to some important Anglo-American diplomatic role as a result.

Because as long as you're able to join the waiting list for a new Morgan 4/4 there'll always be an England we can be proud of.

It is astonishing to think that Worcestershire's best known automotive export has been available in some form or other for – wait for it – 80 years. You thought the Volkswagen Scirocco and the SEAT Altea were old hat? Nonsense. They're iPhone-toting youths compared to the 4/4. If we're playing fast and loose with car names rather than designs Land Rover's late Defender only dates back to 1990, even with its six redesigns the Golf's a bit of a spring chicken at 40 and even the Caterham Seven – which shares precisely 0% with the Lotus-badged original – only goes back as far as 1957.

Whereas the 4/4 went on sale at a time when Britain's best selling car was the Austin Seven and Stanley Baldwin was Prime Minister. It's survived Adolf Hitler, the Cold War, and being festooned with lots of rubbish British Leyland switches. Oh, and it's still brilliant.



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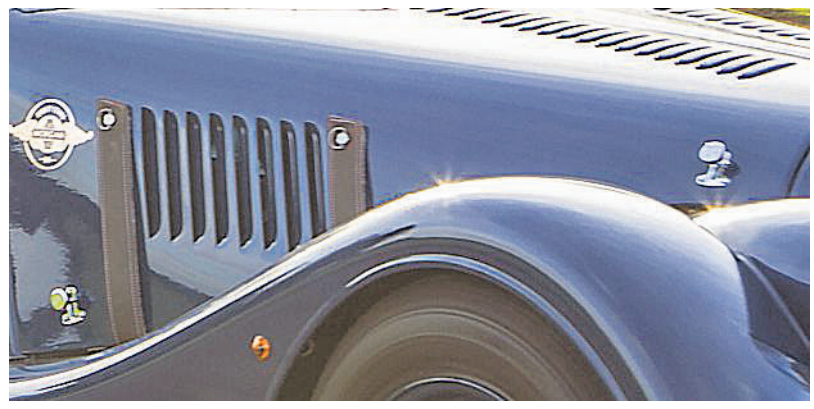
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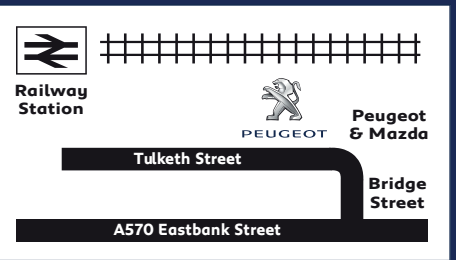

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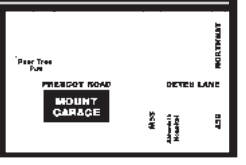

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Skem announce friendlies

Max Hazeldine in action for Skelmersdale

SKELMERSDALE United are having trouble confirming their pre-season fixtures because of a Liverpool County FA Senior Cup semi-final tie against Everton that wasn't played at the end of last season.

The competition should have been played to conclusion before the end of April but was not completed, mainly due to poor weather.

Skelmersdale were drawn to play at home to Everton in the semi-final with the winner set to play the winner of the other semi-final, Prescot Cables v Litherland Remyca.

The games do start on Tuesday, July 19 when Accrington Stanley travel to Stormy Corner, they are expected to include former United striker Max Hazeldine in their line-up.

Skelmersdale's full proposed list of pre-season matches:

Tuesday, July 19 at home to Accrington Stanley. Kick off 7.45pm

Tuesday, July 26 at home to Everton. Kick off 7.45pm. Awaiting confirmation.

Saturday, July 30 at home to Enfield. Kick off 3pm.

Tuesday, August 2 away at Burscough. Kick off 7.45pm.

Tuesday, August 9 away at Prescot Cables. Kick off 7.45pm. Awaiting confirmation.

The Evo-Stik League season then begins on Saturday, August 13.

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Ormskirk beat Bootle by three runs in thriller

Last man caught out in the deep to complete victory in last over as Bohannon takes seven wickets

ORMSKIRK beat Firwood Bootle after a catch in the deep in the last over in a thrilling Liverpool Competition Premier Division clash at Brook Lane on Saturday when all four results were possible until the every end.

Bootle captain Craig Prince put Ormskirk in to bat when when he won the toss and his opening bowlers, Chris Stenhouse and Chris Liptrot, immediately had Ormskirk in big trouble at 45-5.

The fightback was led by Matthew Glayzer (53), who survived several strong lbw appeals, along with Scott Lees (32) and Gavin Griffiths (29) so that Ormskirk managed to reach a respectable 173 all out in the 50th over.

Liptrot's marathon stint for the visitors of 22 overs was rewarded with figures of 5-74.

Bootle's top order found the going tough against the potent home bowling attack.

Half the side were sent back to the pavilion for 81, despite Michael Farrell's knock of 40.

A half-century seventh wicket stand by Prince and Greg Butterworth then gave the visitors a realistic chance of victory.

But Josh Bohannon played havoc with the lower order to reduce Bootle to 159-9.

While Butterworth was at the crease, however, the match was not won for Ormskirk, and when the final over began, six runs were required for Bootle to win.

The first two balls produced two singles, but Butterworth then attempted a big hit only to be caught in the deep by Griffiths.

Ormksirk had won by three runs, Josh Bohannon ending with an impressive 7-31 and Griffiths 3-15.

In the top of the table clash at Leigh, Northern had a day to forget as they were dismissed for just 62 with Matty McKiernan taking 5-13. In reply Lancashire's Luis Reece hit a rapid 54* and Ross Zelem 11* as the hosts raced to 66-0 to wrap up a ten wicket victory and move 13 points clear of Northern at the top of the table.

Stand-in skipper Elliot Ketteringham led Fourth placed Formby to a 64 run home win over Birkenhead Park, the hosts piled up 233-4 dec off 48.2 overs, thanks in the main to a 140 run second wicket partnership between Tim le Breton (91) and keeper Dane Williams (74), whilst Tym Crawford weighed in with an unbeaten 31. In reply, Crawford then took 5-38 and Gary Keedy 3-23 to help dismiss the visitors for 169.

Burscough move back to top after holding out for draw at home to Northrop Hall

Maddocks leads way for Skelmersdale in comfortable home win over Caldy

BURSCOUGH moved back to top of the First Division with a home draw against Northop Hall.

The hosts put 218 up on the board thanks to valuable contributions from Ryan Hughes (77), Chris Andrews (56), Navdeep Aujla (30) and Alan Murray (25), with Danny Nolan 5-86 and James Hurlin 3-45 taking the bulk of the wickets.

In reply James Dickinson took 6-25 but it wasn't quite enough to cement victory as the hosts hung on for a draw on 170-9.

Third placed Fleetwood Hesketh came out on the right side of a low scoring home game against Prestatyn, the hosts were asked to bat first and were duly rolled over for 96, with only Lee Rimmer (33) and Sri Lankan Issy Perera (21) going past 20, whilst Kieron New took 6-32 with the ball and Scott Williams took five victims behind the stumps.

In reply the visitors slipped from a commanding 40-1 off 6 overs to 69 all out, as all but Ryan Westwell (41) had no answer to the spin of Perera 5-17, the variation of Danny Murphy 4-11 and the sharp keeping of Lee Rimmer who took his victim tally to 21 for the season.

Seventh placed Ainsdale were beaten by 57 runs at home against Orrell Red Triangle.

Ninth placed Southport & Birkdale had a creditable draw at Wigan. The hosts were asked to bat first and their skipper and former New Zealand Test batsman Aaron Redmond hit his second century of a the season (115 inc 5x4 & 5x6) as his side finally declared after 60 overs on 183-9 with Jackson Burns taking 3-40. In reply, 63 from opener Guy Edwards and 65 from Chris Brownlow helped take S&B to 167-4 off 40 overs before time run out on their run chase and they had to settle for a draw.

Maghull continue to struggle at the foot of the table after going down by seven wickets at home to Newton le Willows.

In the Second Division, Skelmersdale beat Caldy by 63 runs. Jordan Maddocks top scored with 59 while Ryan Maloney scored 28 andLuke Manley 27 as Skelmersdale declared after 55 overs.

Jonas Smith and Sam Callow then dismissed both Caldy openers before Daniel Edwards then went on to claim five wickets for 33 and Smith cleaned up the tail as Caldy were all out for 115 in the 40th over.

Hightown St Mary's had a six wicket home win over Wavertree who were bowled out for 127 with skipper Josh Birch top scoring with 76, while Jack Ferguson 4-16 and Jonny Walsh 3-54 shone with the ball. In reply, 46 from Kris Jones, an undefeated 43 from former Zimbabwe Test skipper Tatenda Taibu and an unbeaten 33 from Matty White took the hosts to victory on 130-4.

Local LDCC First and Second Division fixtures: Highfield v Ainsdale, Newton le Willows v Fleetwood Hesketh, S&B v Maghull.

Railway end as runaway champions of Ormskirk & District Pool League

THE Ormskirk & District Pool League has just ended.

Having started the league with eight teams, they unfortunately lost Tarleton Bowling Club with seven games to play, hugely disappointing for them because they were top of the league at the time.

The Railway, Parbold came out on top winning the league by a massive 13 points from last season's champions The 22 Club.

The Bridge took third place with a comprehensive 8 – 0 victory over Bar 22 in a delayed final game.

The individual league player of the year was Stuart Linsell (The Railway) who won 15 of the 18 games he played.

Other notable performances came from Rick Walker, Steve Murphy, David Taylor & Barry Foster.

Stuart also triumphed in the singles with Andy Singleton, also from The Railway taking the runners-up prize.

In a clean sweep of trophies Stuart partnered Steve Murphy also representing The Railway to take the pairs title defeating Charlie Spencer-Rimmer and Paul Nickson (last year's champions) of The Bridge in a hard fought final.

The presentation night takes place on Saturday, July 23 at 8 pm at the Farmers Club, on Burscough Street.

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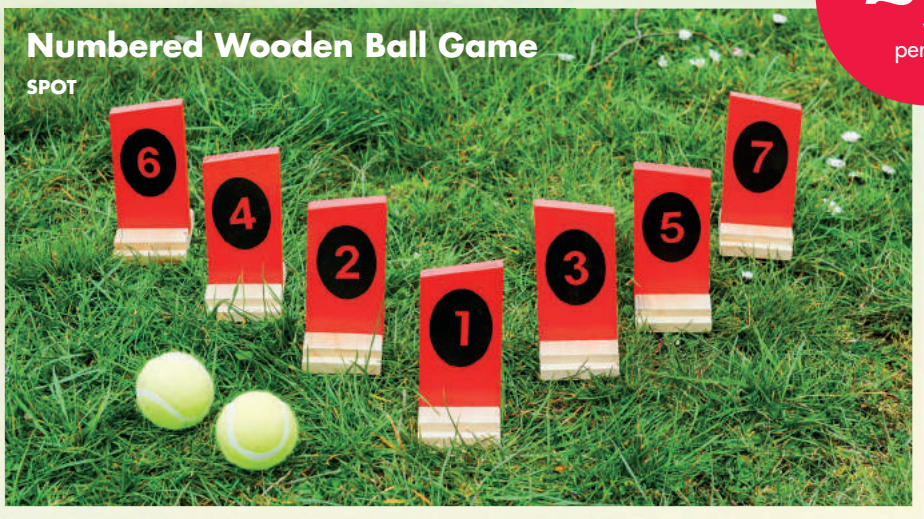

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